

STRATMOOR NEWS

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Small Water District Gets State-of-the-Art Water Treatment Facility

The Stratmoor Hills Water District and Board of Directors are proud to celebrate the completion of a \$3 million centralized water treatment facility.

The water treatment plant, located off Glenarm Road, just west of highway 85/87, was developed in partnership with the United States Air Force and a low-interest loan from the Colorado Water Resources & Power Development Authority. This new facility will deliver up to 1 million gallons a day of clean, safe drinking water, free from perfluorinated chemicals (PFOS and PFOA) to the Stratmoor Hills Community.

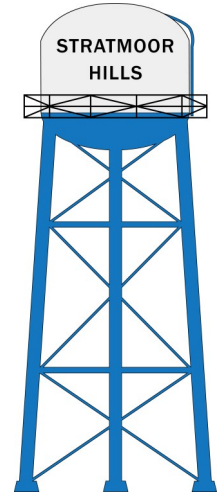
Prior to 2016, the Water District relied on groundwater from three wells to provide drinking water to the community of Stratmoor Hills. Once PFOS and PFOA were detected in the Widefield Aquifer, the Water District immediately terminated the use of wells and relied solely on its partnership with the Fountain Valley Authority, which delivers water directly from Pueblo Reservoir.

The Water District immediately began working with the United States Air Force to remediate PFOS/PFOA using ion exchange filtration designed by Evoqua Water Technologies. Starting in 2017, the Water District started using ion exchange at one of its groundwater wells, but still supplemented water with deliveries from Fountain Valley Authority.

In 2019, the Water District received a low interest \$3 million loan from the Colorado Water Resources & Power Development Authority to develop and build a centralized water treatment facility for all three wells. Although the project was delayed due to the ongoing pandemic, the Water District was able to work with its General Contractor, Glacier Construction, to complete the new facility in early 2022.

This new treatment facility will utilize cartridge, ultraviolet, and ion exchange filtration to deliver up to 1 million gallons a day of clean, safe, reliable drinking water to the community of Stratmoor Hills. This facility will also allow the Water District to utilize its three groundwater wells year-round, only relying on the Fountain Valley Authority on an as-needed basis.

The Stratmoor Hills Water District will hold an open house for the community members of Stratmoor Hills and the general public, on Friday May 20, 2022, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 3118 Glenarm Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80906.



See us on the website at:
stratmoorhillswater.org



SCOPE
PFAS Health Study in the
Fountain Valley Communities

How do PFAS chemicals in drinking water affect the health of adults and children?

Did you or your family live in one of the Fountain Valley Communities between 2006 and October 2015?

The Colorado School of Public Health is recruiting for the Colorado PFAS Multi-site Study!

Adults will receive up to \$75 in gift cards.
Children will receive up to \$100 in gift cards.

To learn more or sign up:

Call/Text: (719) 425-8828
Website: www.co-scope.org
Email: coscope@cuanschutz.edu

Address: 320 S Santa Fe Ave
Fountain, CO 80817

Se habla Español.

BILLING SCHEDULE (est.)

Bills Mailed - May 4, 2022

Payments Due - May 13, 2022

Late Notices Mailed - May 16, 2022

Shut Off Payments Due - May 24, 2022

Shut Off Day - May 25, 2022

Meter Read Date - May 31, 2022

If you believe you may be late making your payment, please call us to make arrangements to

STRATMOOR HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION - <http://www.stratmoorhills.org/contact.php>

SEWER PROBLEMS

If you have problems with your sewer line, please give us a call first so that we can determine if it is your service line or our main line. If it is in your line, we will notify you promptly. If it is our problem, we will take care of it immediately.



Home Safety Checklist

Simple fixes from roof to foundation to make your home safer from embers and radiant heat.

HOME SAFETY CHECKLIST

- Clean roofs and gutters of dead leaves, debris and pine needles that could catch embers.
- Replace or repair any loose or missing shingles or roof tiles to prevent ember penetration.
- Enclose under-eave and soffit vents or screen with metal mesh to prevent ember entry.
- Cover exterior attic vents with metal wire mesh no larger than 1/8 inch to prevent sparks from entering the home.
- Repair or replace damaged or loose window screens and any broken windows.
- Screen or box-in areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent debris and combustible materials from accumulating.
- Move any flammable material away from wall exteriors – mulch, flammable plants, leaves and needles, firewood piles – anything that can burn.
- Remove anything stored underneath decks or porches.



For More Information

For more information about how to protect your home and property, as well as Firewise plant lists and other resources, visit the Firewise website at www.firewise.org, and see the "homeowners" section.

For more tips on what to do when wildfire is approaching and how to safely evacuate, visit the Ready, Set, Go! website sponsored by the International Association of Fire Chiefs at www.wildlandfirersg.org. Talk to your local fire department to learn more about specific wildfire risks in your area.

Saving Lives and Property from Wildfire!

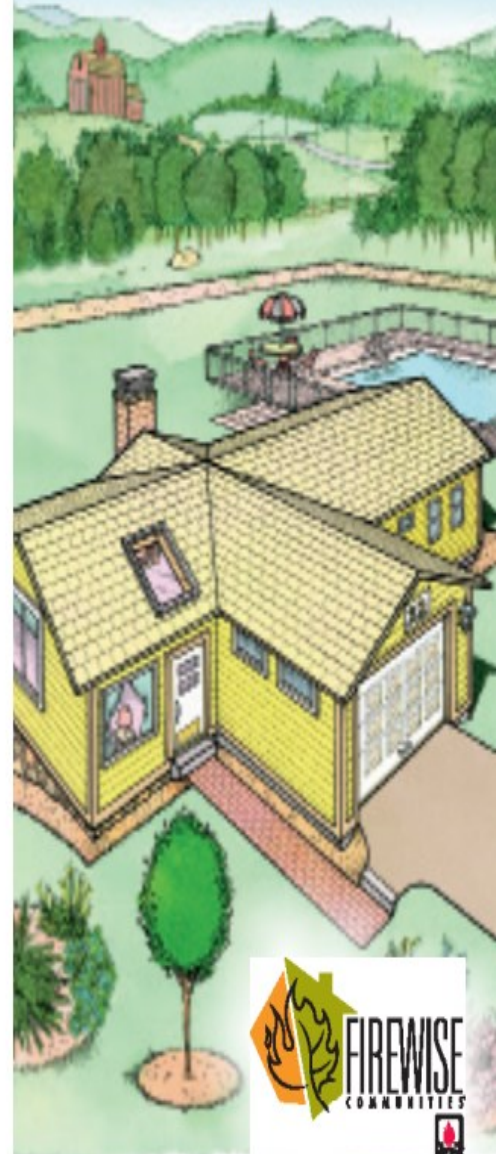


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How to Have a Firewise Home

You can make your home safer from wildfire. Learn how with these helpful tips!



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Board elections are held in May of even-numbered years. Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 3:00 p.m. at the Fire Station (2160 "B" Street). Meeting agendas are posted at the Water District office (1811 "B" Street), the Fire Station and at the Stratmoor Elementary School (200 Loomis Avenue). If you would like more information about the Districts, please contact Kevin Niles at the Water and Sanitation Districts at 576-0311 or by e-mail at kevin@stratmoorhillswater.org or Dottie Barrett for the Fire Protection District at 576-1200 or by e-mail at mail@shvfd.com