

What's On Tap

at Consolidated Public Water Supply District No. 1 of Boone County

Spring Cleaning *Spruce Up For Spring*

Easter lilies are blooming. The grass is turning green. Robins are appearing. Signs of spring are popping up all around Boone County. This change of seasons sees many turn to spring cleaning and Consolidated Water District is no exception. The "to do" list for spring cleaning at the District is a long one, but one item at the top of the list each spring is the annual inspection and cleaning of water towers. Ozark Applicators, a Mo. Dept. of Natural Resources approved company based in Van Buren, MO, handles these annual inspections and cleanings. With a fine-tooth comb, they evaluate both the inside and outside of our water towers. Inspectors check to make sure hatches and locks are in place, paint coatings are up to par, and pipes and rods are tight. These are just a few of the many things on their thorough checklist. This annual inspection is one we can check off our list thanks to Ozark Applicators!

In addition to tank inspections and cleaning, spring is time to tidy up District well houses and apply a fresh coat of paint as needed to equipment inside these structures. In the field, fire hydrants are checked and painted as needed and valves are cleared of any obstructions.

One aspect of spring cleaning that might be overlooked is maintenance of District easements. Ensuring easy access to District mains and lines is essential to maintenance and repair of the same. Brush, trees and weeds must be cleared to allow crews to make repairs as needed. Spring presents the optimal opportunity to clear these areas before new growth begins, temperatures increase and pests multiply.

These are but a few of the items on Consolidated Water's spring cleaning list, hopefully these make your own list look a little less daunting and you can breeze right through spring and into summer.



2017 WATER USAGE CLOSEUP in gallons sold

- 2017 Total Sold:
627,553,202
- Lowest Month:
January: 36,206,500
- Peak Month:
August: 71,082,500
- Average usage per meter:
191 gallons per day

Starting at the Source

Our Commitment to Source Water Protection

At Consolidated Water, our mission every day is to provide safe potable water to our customers. An important component of providing potable water is keeping our groundwater sources protected. Fencing around the well sites provides a physical barrier to deter potential contamination threats, intentional or unintentional. In addition to fencing, security cameras are also an important component of source water protection. Security cameras not only monitor activity at the well sites, but can also alert District staff to potential intrusion or vandalism allowing for rapid response to a threat.

Late last year, the District applied for a Source Water Protection Development and Implementation Grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources for additional perimeter fencing and security cameras at our well sites. The Missouri Department of Natural Resources graciously granted us partial funding for the District's additional security needs. Construction on this project is currently ongoing and will be completed in the summer of 2018. Installing additional security cameras and perimeter fencing will help ensure our ongoing commitment to providing safe drinking water to District patrons now and in the future.



Under Pressure



The power of water is truly a wonder as evidenced by what Consolidated Water maintenance crews found when dispatched to fix a water leak. Over the course of time, through pressure and constant flow, what began as a small leak in a line not only eroded the pipe, but moved on to bigger things, carving out a smooth escape through the rock in its path. This leak was undetected in the rocky terrain until the work of erosion was complete. Remember to call the District if you think you've spotted a leak.

Have you changed your contact information?

Give us a call at 573-449-0324 or send us an email at staff@consolidatedwater.com to ensure that we are able to contact you!

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Missouri Storm Season

Are you prepared for the severe spring weather?

Now that winter is finally over, it's time to start thinking about spring, which in Missouri means storm season. Natural Disasters can strike at any time and any place, but Missouri's peak tornado season is from mid-March through late June. When these natural disasters strike, the best defense to have is being prepared and having a plan for your family. Having a complete plan with detailed information about where your family will go in the event of a tornado (whether it be at work, home or other places your family visits frequently) can help take the guesswork out of where the safest shelter is located. During an emergency, it is also important to locate your water shut off valve and have it clearly marked so it can be shut off. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recommends that families keep enough canned and dry food, water and other essentials to be self-sufficient for at least three days. The American Red Cross has a multitude of Mobile Apps that can help assist you and your family in preparing for these emergencies. Visit www.redcross.org for more information.

Capital Improvement Project Updates

Keeping infrastructure up to date and reliable is a part of our commitment to providing quality service to our customers. Capital Improvement Projects help ensure that we maintain enough capacity to meet water needs. Below are a few of the Capital Improvement Projects planned for 2018.

Project	Date	Estimated Cost
Ashland Eastern Loop Phase 2 - Water Main	Spring 2018	\$570,000.00
Dripping Springs Well - Well House Replacement (Dripping Springs Rd)	Fall 2018	\$277,000.00
South Well - Well House Replacement (Dee Woods Rd)	Fall 2018	\$277,000.00
Liberty Well - Well House Replacement (Liberty Lane)	Fall 2018	\$307,000.00

Upcoming Closings

Memorial Day - May 28 | Independence Day - July 4
Labor Day - September 3 | Columbus Day - October 8



Remembering Thomas Lockwood 1953-2018

On February 4, 2018 Tom Lockwood passed away at Boone Hospital Center in Columbia. Tom was hired by the District in the fall of 1990 and had since worked in the meter maintenance department for over 27 years. He was known to give the staff in the billing office a hard time daily and his absence has been felt throughout the District.

He is survived by his wife, daughter, son-in-law and two cousins. Thanks for all of the memories, Tom. You will be missed.