

# BUTTERMILK METROPOLITAN DISTRICT



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To All Buttermilk, East Owl Creek Ranch, and Owl Creek Ranch Owners:

In order to comply with agreements between the District and the City of Aspen, we are advising you that the change-over in water supply from the District's groundwater based system to the City's combined groundwater and surface water system is now scheduled to occur on or about June 23, 2011. While there are still many things to accomplish, including the installation and commissioning of a new pump station, the project is on schedule as of this time.

Over the past several months, the District has undertaken a water loss study, which is nearly complete, a back flow prevention device inspection, a cross-connection inspection and an inspection of private wells to ensure no connections to the system which violate District policy or may negatively impact water quality exist.

We have also reviewed the water rate structure that has been in place since 2006 and find no need to change water rates at this time. This includes tap fees and other system charges.

Once the system has been switched over from the Buttermilk Wells to the City system, you may notice minor changes in taste, odor, and hardness, but your water quality will continue to be monitored by both the District and the City to ensure compliance with all rules, regulations and laws affecting domestic treated water quality.

We are working with the City's staff to ensure as smooth a transition during this change-over as possible. Should you have any questions regarding these changes, or if you have questions regarding the project, please feel free to give me a call.

By   
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District Manager

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