

# BANCROFT-CLOVER WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT

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## September 2017 NEWSLETTER

### How the Weather Effects Your Bill

We all know the adage that if you don't like the Colorado weather, wait five minutes. From blizzards to flash floods, Colorado has its fair share of severe weather. Even the daily heat of the summer can take a toll on our lives and lawns.

Our average temperatures for the Denver metro area for the summer are:

Month	Average High	Average Low	Average Precipitation
June	81°F	50°F	2.05 inches
July	88°F	56°F	1.68 inches
August	86°F	56°F	1.69 inches

Comparing the averages so far this summer, we have been warmer and drier than average.

Month	Average High	Average Low	Average Precipitation
June	85.5°F	53.6°F	0.33 inches
July	91.5°F	61.3°F	0.47 inches
August	84.1°F	56.6°F	1.86 inches

With the lack of rainfall and the hotter days during the early summer months, water bills tended to be higher than average when we had more watering help from the weather. However, keeping a healthy lawn and garden doesn't have to cost a ton of money.

One way to help your lawn is to adjust your lawn mower height. Most lawns prefer the mower set at the highest settings, providing a 3-4inch cut. The longer grass encourages deeper rooting and gives a little bit of a barrier to keep moisture in during the hot sunny days.

Some places also recommend mowing the lawn more often (and to mow a day after irrigation) and leaving the clippings on the lawn to create a nutrient rich fuel for the lawn. By mowing more often, there's less shock to the blades, as less of the blade is removed during cutting. If you remove too much at once and leave the blades it can smother the grass, defeating the help it was meant to provide.

Mother Nature usually provides enough water through rainfall for grass to stay healthy. If you choose to water beyond that, wait until the lawn becomes dull green in color. Your lawn will also begin to wilt and footprints will remain visible when it needs water. During extreme hot, dry spells, your lawn naturally turns brown and go dormant (especially in the Northern US). Lawns are amazingly resilient and can tolerate dry

conditions for up to 2 months if left alone. Grass will bounce back when rainfall and cooler temperatures return, especially if it has been well-fed.

Experts recommend watering no more than 3 times a week, 15min per zone depending on the type of sprinkler heads you are using. You can find more information on efficiently watering your lawn by visiting the Denver Water website here:

[www.denverwater.org/residential/conservation-tip/watering-your-lawn](http://www.denverwater.org/residential/conservation-tip/watering-your-lawn)

## Summer Watering Rules

Water connects us all. Bancroft-Clover's summer watering rules ensure we have enough water now and in the future. Water belongs to everyone, and we are all responsible for using it wisely. Summer watering rules are enforced **May 1 to Oct. 1.**

- Water during cooler times of the day — lawn watering is *not* allowed between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- Water no more than three days per week.
- Do not allow water to pool in gutters, streets and alleys.
- Do not waste water by letting it spray on concrete and asphalt.
- Repair leaking sprinkler systems within 10 days.
- Do not irrigate while it is raining or during high winds.
- Use a hose nozzle with a shut-off valve when washing your car.

\*These rules are mandatory. Repeat offenders may be fined.

Please contact us at (303) 922-1113 or visit [www.bancroftclover.com](http://www.bancroftclover.com) if you have any questions.

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## Sign Up For Paperless Billing

Want to save time and help the environment? Sign up for paperless billing. Signing up is easy. Just go to [www.Bancroft-Clover.com](http://www.Bancroft-Clover.com). While you're there check out our other time saving options. Such as online bill pay or sign up for automatic payments with a credit card. You can also find plenty of information about the district like how to contact us and water saving tips.

## Automatic Payment Plan Sign Up Form

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### AUTHORIZATION FOR DIRECT PAYMENT / AUTOMATIC BILL PAYMENT Bancroft-Clover Water and Sanitation District

I (we) authorize the Company (Bancroft-Clover Water and Sanitation District) to initiate variable entries to my (our) account described below.

Financial Institutions Name \_\_\_\_\_

**TO IMPLEMENT THE AUTOMATIC BILL PAYMENT, PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION FORM.  
PLEASE ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Bancroft-Clover Water and Sanitation District Billing Account Number \_\_\_\_\_