



News from Consolidated Public Water Supply District #1

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YOUR VOTE COUNTS

In case you haven't heard, there's an election on the horizon. Voting is not only our right, but it is our responsibility as American citizens. According to the 2012 US Census Bureau, only 65.1% of eligible Americans were registered to vote, and only 56.5% of those eligible actually voted during the General Election. These numbers make it easy to see there are a lot of voices not being heard. We can change that with the upcoming 2016 election!

You can probably name a number of reasons people cite for not voting; they believe their vote doesn't count, they don't know how to register or where to vote, or they are not informed on the candidates and/or issues.

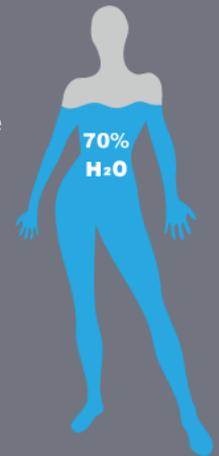
A single vote can change the outcome of an election, so your vote really *does* count. For example, according to history.com, Thomas Jefferson was elected over Aaron Burr in the 1800 Presidential Election by one (1) Electoral College vote. For our government to be an effective democracy, we have to participate and not just observe. The deadline to register to vote for the 2016 General Election is October 12, 2016. Missouri residents can register to vote by mailing in your Voter Registration Application (must be postdated by the deadline date) or by applying online, at www.sos.mo.gov. In order to find out where you should vote, check your Voter Registration card that will be mailed to you after you become a registered voter and/or look up the polling place online at www.sos.mo.gov. The online site is also where you can check the status of your voter registration. Remember, your vote is your voice in our democracy. See you at the polls on November 8, 2016!



Winter Health



Fall is in the air and winter isn't far behind. We all know the importance of staying hydrated during the summer's heat, but you may not know our hydration needs don't change much during the winter months. Stay hydrated to stay well. During winter, water vapor escapes our body through our breath; it's easy to see when you're outside on a cold day. In addition to proper hydration, frequent hand washing helps keep germs at bay. Water is truly a winter wonder.



Clip and bring this coupon to the District office for a gift to help facilitate your health.

 CPWSD #1 CUSTOMER PERK: ?
 ? FREE SURPRISE GIFT ?
 ? WHEN YOU BRING THIS COUPON ?
 ? WITH YOU TO THE OFFICE ?
 *Photocopies will not be accepted. ?
 ? Limit one per customer, while supplies last

Holiday Closings

- Columbus Day - October 10, 2016
- Veteran's Day - November 11, 2016
- Thanksgiving - November 24, 2016
- Day after Thanksgiving - November 25, 2016
- Christmas Eve (@noon) - December 23, 2016
- Christmas Day - December 26, 2016

Upcoming District Projects:

Huntsdale Valve Installation:

District Staff is planning to install several gate valves throughout Huntsdale to improve service to our customers.

Botner Road Waterline Upgrade:

District Crews have completed the waterline upgrade on Botner Road west of Gilbert Road. Crews installed 3,500 feet of 4" waterline which replaced the existing undersized waterline.

Hagens Road Tie-In:

District Crews will be connecting the existing waterline along Hagens Road to the recently installed 6" waterline south of Bentlage Lane. As part of the project, the District will be installing a fire hydrant at this location.

Visit our website at www.consolidatedwater.com for more information



Find us on Facebook for up-to-date information on projects going on in the District, scheduled maintenance and any

other information pertinent to your water service.

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What Are All of Those Flags?

This question is one heard frequently by staff at Consolidated Water and is one of the easiest to answer. Flags or paint markings on your property indicate there is some sort of excavation planned in the area and utilities have been called upon to locate their underground lines within the excavation area. There is a uniform color code for each utility type assigned by the American Public Works Association. An example of these color codes and the utilities they represent is seen below.

White	PROPOSED EXCAVATION
Fluorescent Pink	TEMPORARY SURVEY MARKINGS
Red	ELECTRIC POWER LINES, CABLES, CONDUIT AND LIGHTING CABLES
Yellow	GAS, OIL, STEAM, PETROLEUM OR GASEOUS MATERIALS
Orange	COMMUNICATION, ALARM OR SIGNAL LINES, CABLES OR CONDUIT
Blue	POTABLE WATER
Purple	RECLAIMED WATER, IRRIGATION AND SLURRY LINES
Green	SEWERS AND DRAIN LINES

The Missouri One Call System is the single point notification center used by participating utilities to coordinate locate requests. A call to **1-800-DIG-RITE** or a click on **mo1call.com** three working days before you dig sets the process in motion.

Once utilities are contacted by Missouri One Call, they are required to locate their lines or report the location is clear within prescribed time guidelines.

Once the lines are located, it is important the flags or paint remain in place until the excavation is completed. The law states that excavators must give notice at least two but not more than 10 working days before the work is to begin. Markings remain valid as long as they are visible and usable so long as the excavation begins within 10 working days.

*Below is an example of failure to call for utility locates prior to excavation resulting in an emergency repair and a customer water service outage. Call before you dig applies to all excavations, whether you're planting a tree or installing a utility. This simple step is not only smart, it's the law. Failure to contact Missouri One Call can be costly and inconvenient at a minimum.



Remember dig safely, it's the law.



*Don't let this happen to you

Are you moving? We need to know!

Before moving, it is important to contact the District to ensure water is charged only to the date of the move out. The District requires the following information for a disconnection request;

- Date of Disconnect (the District does not guarantee a time of day for disconnect)
- Forwarding Address

The District will take a final reading on the disconnection date. This reading will be applied to the account creating a final bill. The final bill is deducted from any deposit on file and will result in a balance due or refund to the customer. The final bill and any refund due will be mailed to the forwarding address provided.