

# Brook Forest Water District

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## JANUARY 2021 1ST QUARTER NEWSLETTER



### **Brook Forest Water District Board of Directors:**

The BFWD Board welcomed Mr. Ted Schlaebitz to the Board in October 2020 when he was appointed as a Board member. The current BFWD Board of Directors is listed below:

Bill Weisenborn – Board President  
Tony Langowski – Vice President  
Bruce Nicklow – Treasurer  
Ilse Ramsey – Director  
Ted Schlaebitz – Director

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### **UPDATE YOUR PERSONAL CONTACT INFO:**

Please help us by filing out the Update Sheet that will accompany your 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter invoice. When a water main breaks and service needs to be shut off to your property, if we DO NOT have your CURRENT information, we CANNOT contact you in advance to let you know. Please complete the information even if you think we do not have your current information phone number and/or email address. Please return with your payment.

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**Please note, you can now set up an account through the online billing service and set your payment to recur on a quarterly/monthly basis and not have to keep logging in every time you want to make a payment.**



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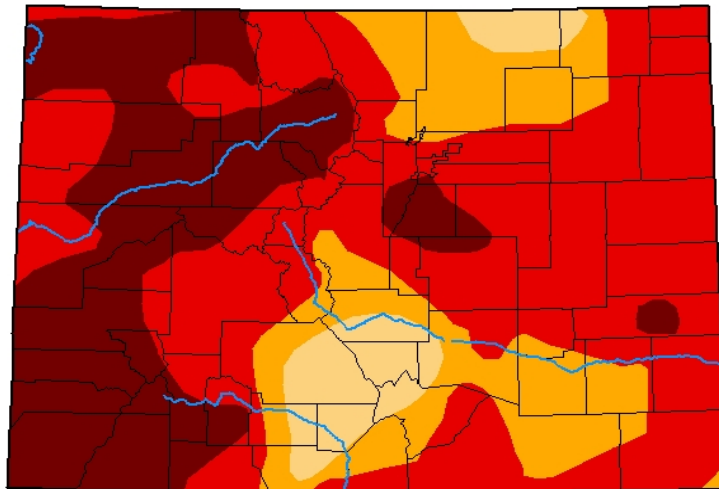
## Brook Forest Water District – Evergreen, CO

### Colorado Drought!

The State of Colorado continues to be in a severe, if not extreme drought. Current Colorado Drought Monitor is below. Please conserve water use during this time of severe drought conditions. **As a reminder, there is NO outside watering allowed at any time.**

## U.S. Drought Monitor Colorado

**December 29, 2020**  
(Released Thursday, Dec. 31, 2020)  
Valid 7 a.m. EST



	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)					
	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	0.00	100.00	100.00	93.73	76.17	27.60
<b>Last Week</b> 12-22-2020	0.00	100.00	100.00	93.73	76.17	27.60
<b>3 Months Ago</b> 09-29-2020	0.00	100.00	99.29	89.35	52.88	2.64
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> 12-31-2019	31.72	68.28	51.19	20.11	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> 09-29-2020	0.00	100.00	99.29	89.35	52.88	2.64
<b>One Year Ago</b> 12-31-2019	31.72	68.28	51.19	20.11	0.00	0.00

#### Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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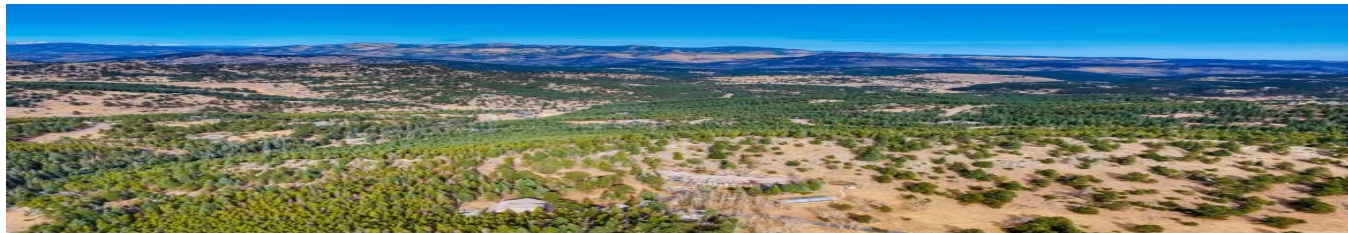
Adam Hartman  
NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC



[droughtmonitor.unl.edu](https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu)

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**BROOK FOREST WATER DISTRICT  
SPRINGTIME NEWSLETTER  
APRIL 2021**



**Springtime is Here!**

That means it is time to schedule a test of your stop box with Dominic our System Operator. Please contact him to make an appointment at (303) 674-8194. Below are pictures of the types of meter pits that can be found in the District.

**THE TYLER**



**THE MCDONALD**



**A Note from Our System Operator Regarding the Curb Boxes & Meter Pits:**

These are the three types of curb boxes that have been installed in the District over the years. The Meter Pit is usually buried. The Tyler is sometimes visible or can be buried as well. The McDonald Type is installed protruding above ground and is usually visible unless it has been damaged or buried due to plowing/grading.

**Outside Watering – Not Allowed:**

With spring here and summertime around the corner, many of you may have outside projects in the works like power washing houses and decks or prepping houses for staining, but please remember outside use of the District water for exterior projects is not permitted. Thanks for your cooperation!

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## **FIRE MITIGATION:**

Please be aware that Evergreen Fire Rescue has a Slash program that can be found on their website at [www.evergreenfirerescue.com](http://www.evergreenfirerescue.com). You can find the program on top right side of the homepage, click on “Mitigation/Chipping Program”, the program will start up again in May, but you can start signing up now.

Also consider asking tree removal and fire mitigation services to walk your property to obtain a plan and an estimate to bring your land into a safer condition. It will give you an idea of how an expert views your property and provide you with a plan to tackle all at once or in small steps over time. A journey begins with the first step.

House address numbers are still needed on many of the home in the District. Mainly for EMS services rushing to your home, but also for the fire protection services. Black numbers tacked to a tree offer little help to responding emergency teams. A better solution is high contrast between numbers and background, like black numbers on white tiles at the end of your driveway. The time saved finding you could mean the difference between life and death someday.

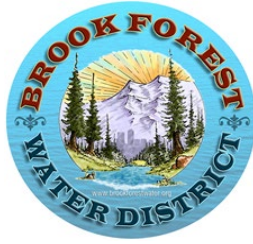


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### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Newsletter – July 2021



#### **SUMMERTIME IS HERE!**

#### **PLEASE REMEMBER NO OUTSIDE WATERING**

#### **Water Quality Report 2021 for Calendar Year 2020:**

You can find the most recent Water Quality Report – CCR on our website at the following web address:

<http://brookforestwater.org>

If you have any questions, please contact our office, or send an email.



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#### **Late Fee Reminder:**

Please be advised, if a payment is made after the first month a \$20 late fee will be assessed and invoiced. If a quarterly invoice is not paid after an additional 30 days, a \$30 additional fee will be assessed and invoiced. If a payment is 90 days delinquent your water will be shut off and additional fees will be assessed.

**Please pay your invoices on time to avoid late fees or a possible water shut off.**

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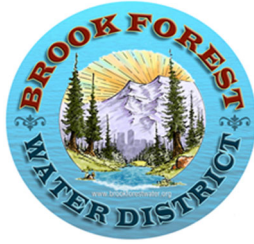
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## 4th Quarter Newsletter – October 2021



### **Snow Will Soon Arrive:**

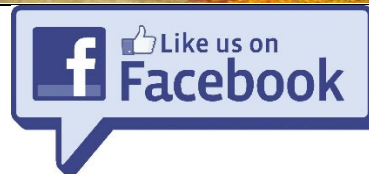
As we get closer to the snowy season here in Colorado, please be sure to clear your stop box from any snow over the next few months as it needs to be accessible to our System Operator in case it needs to be shut off or repaired.

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