



METRO NEWS



METRO BOARD MEETS MONTHLY ON THE 2ND TUESDAY STARTING @ 1:30 PM, FOREST LAKES COMMUNITY CENTER - SPRING/SUMMER 2006

Forest Lakes Guide to Services

- **Forest Lakes Metropolitan District (FLMD)** - Provides Water, Sewer, Road and Recreation. (970) 884-2925. www.flmd.com
- **Forest Lakes Property Owner's Association (FLPOA)** -A Voluntary organization of Forest Lakes property owners providing Non-Metro services primarily relating to covenant and architectural issues. 1782 Pine Valley Rd., Bayfield, CO 81122.
- **Upper Pine River Fire Protection District**—Emergency medical and fire protection services. 911 or (970) 884-9508.
- **La Plata County**— Sheriff, Building, Planning and other Departments including the Assessor, Treasurer, Clerk and Recorder and various other County services. (970) 382-6200.
- **San Juan Basin Health Department**—Individual sewage disposal systems and public health related services. (970) 247-5702.
- **La Plata Electric Association (LPEA)** - Provides electric services to Forest Lakes. (970) 247-5786
- **Qwest**—Provides telephone services to Forest Lakes. (800) 244-1111.

Call La Plata County Central Dispatch at 385-2900 to report trouble makers.

SPEED LIMIT 20

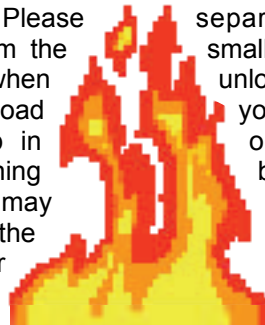
YOUR 2006 DRINKING WATER REPORT IS INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE **And is available on the web at www.flmd.com**

FOREST LAKES SEWER PROJECT

Construction commenced on 6/19/06 on the Forest Lakes Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) upgrade and expansion project. Triad Western Constructors from Cortez, CO were awarded the contract to build the facility. Project is scheduled to be completed within 120 days. Funding for the project is from collected sewer plant investment and services impact fees and includes a small loan from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs. Upgrade is required to comply with new discharge permit restrictions and expansion is required to serve additional users.

BRUSH PILE BURNING BANS

WE NEED YOUR HELP. Please separate your larger brush items (greater than 6" diameter) from the smaller pine needles, limbs, etc. and unload into different piles when unloading at the brush pile. If you remember to do this when you load your items it will be easier to unload. We are asking for your help in order to keep this service available to property owners during burning bans. If this arrangement is not adhered to, access to the pile may be restricted during these times. The District will be evaluating the cost to provide this service which may result in additional or increased fees due to increased disposal costs. Please no plastic bags, lumber with nails or stumps.



METRO BOARD ELECTION

Special Districts usually conduct their Board meeting elections on the first Tuesday in May of even numbered years. This year Jackie Hicks, Casey Cook, Ed Stasium and Rich Hillyer were elected to the Board. The Board of Directors and the employees of FLMD wish to thank Ed Schelhaas for his 8 years of service to Forest Lakes. His witty Board meeting adjourning statements will be missed. Thanks Ed for your help with Forest Lakes.

PAY METRO FEES DIRECTLY TO METRO

The payment of Forest Lakes Metropolitan District plant investment and/or services impact fees to any third party including contractors, builders, realtors, etc. is not recommended. There have been cases where these fees were not paid directly to the District and were not recovered by the property owners who were still required to pay the fees before services could be provided. Do not let it happen to you.

WATER RELEASE FROM LAKE SIMPATICO

The District did not have to release water last year due to a great snow pack and summer moisture. However this year looks like it may have to happen. The District plans to make a small augmentation release from Lake Simpatico (aka Wommer #1 or Forest Lake) this year to document use and satisfy senior water rights on the Pine River.



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FOREST LAKES BALL FIELD

The property owner rescinded their permission for us to use their property for the Forest Lakes Ball Field. Please refrain from using the property.

NOXIOUS WEED SPRAYING

Horizon Environmental Services Inc. sprayed the greenbelt properties and District facilities this year for noxious weeds. We encourage all private property owners to address their noxious weed problems so we can quit sending them back and forth. Horizon Environmental can be contacted at (970) 884-2985.

NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES

THE BOARD ADOPTED A POLICY PROHIBITING MOTORIZED VEHICLES AND ASK THAT YOU PLEASE REFRAIN FROM DRIVING ANY MOTORIZED VEHICLES ON THE OLD SKI HILL, DAM AREAS AND ALL GREENBELT/PARKWAYS.

YOUR COOPERATION IN THIS MATTER WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

FOREST LAKES VITAL STATISTICS

- 710 Housing Structures
- 1850 Residents (estimated)
- 21 Miles of roads now open & plowed
- 20 Miles of Water Mains installed
- 10 Miles of Sewer Mains installed



NOTES

- Please no plastic bags, lumber with nails or stumps at brush pile. Please separate larger items 6" in diameter from smaller stuff.
- Plan now to have someone plow your driveway if you can't.
- Please, no parking on the roads.
- Please use the ash barrel for your hot ashes.
- Water/Sewer taps and excavation permits are not provided from November 1st through April 15th so plan accordingly.
- Your Metro bill is always due on the 20th of each month.
- From 1985 through 2005, the total property tax mill levy in Forest Lakes has gone down 30.510 mills of which 10.724 mills or 35% of this reduction was by Forest Lakes Metropolitan District.
- Thanks for calling and reporting the recent water breaks.

ENTRANCE IMPROVEMENTS

Please thank Anne Schrier and her green thumb group for their nice improvements to the Forest Lakes entrance. Please thank Don who does a great job keeping it green and Charlie when you see them.

WATER SYSTEM



If you see a fire hydrant that is damaged, please call the Metro office and report it so that we can get it repaired.

The District continues working on the water master plan update. Uses anticipated in the original plan have changed as Forest Lakes has developed increasing the amount of water used per tap. When finished, the final updated plan will help the District move forward with water system infrastructure improvements to address these changes.