



Spring 2022

Avra Water Co-op, Inc.

# Water We Up To?

## Arizona Drought Information and Preparedness Plan

Arizona is experiencing a drought which has multiple impacts on our water supply in Southern Arizona. A Tier 1 Colorado River Shortage was declared in August which will result in a substantial cut to Arizona's share of Colorado River Water and given the recent intensification of the drought, deeper levels of shortage are likely in the next few years. There has been planning and preparation for this for many years. The big question is always - Is Arizona going to run out of water. The answer is -No. In fact, everyone is working harder to ensure that water has a sustainable future in our state. We can all do our part to conserve water; every drop counts! We have a Drought Preparedness Plan posted on the [avrawater.com](http://avrawater.com) website which is based on Pima County's unincorporated Drought Preparedness Plan and are currently in a Drought Stage I. Voluntary reductions in water use are encouraged. This means check your toilets, pour unused water or ice in your plants, check your irrigation system for breaks or reduce the time it runs, and make sure it is watering plants and not walkways or dirt. For more ideas and information, log on to [avrawater.com](http://avrawater.com) and you will find links to many organizations with many more ideas.

## Fix a Leak Week, March 14 through 20, 2022

**Leaks Can Run, but They Can't Hide.** Are you ready to chase down leaks? Household leaks can waste nearly 1 trillion gallons of water annually nationwide, so each year we hunt down the drips during Fix a Leak Week. Mark your calendars for EPA's annual Fix a Leak Week, March 14 through 20, 2021—and remember that you can find and fix leaks inside and outside your home to save valuable water and money all year long!

## Mark Your Calendar!

March 14— Past Due Balance

Due Date

March 16 - Board Meeting

March 31 - Bills Due

April 18 - Past Due Balance

Due Date

April 20 - Board Meeting

April 30 - Bills Due

May 16 - Past Due Balance

Due Date

May 18 - Board Meeting

May 30 - Office Closed

Memorial Day!

May 31 - Bills Due

Spring is a busy time for the water industry! Join us in celebrating the following events:

### Fix-a-Leak-Week

<https://www.epa.gov/watersense/fix-leak-week>

### World Water Day

<https://www.worldwaterday.org/>

### Water Awareness Month

<http://www.arizonawaterfacts.com/wam>

### Drinking Water Week

<https://www.awwa.org/Events-Education/Drinking-Water-Week>

Check out the links above to get more informed about our most precious resource!



# Customer Service Tips

**Do You Know Where Your Water Meter and Gate Valve are Located?** We receive many calls from customers asking for assistance with their meter and how to turn their water on and off. While we are happy to help everyone and will gladly send a technician out to help you locate your meter, your gate valve, and show you how to read the leak indicator at no cost during normal business hours, when a call comes in after our regular business hours, our on-call technician will let you know that there is a \$50.00 after hours charge for coming out to assist you with these problems. PLEASE be proactive and make sure you know how to get to your meter and shut it off BEFORE an emergency comes up. You will also want to keep your meter box clean of dirt and debris and make sure you turn your gate valve periodically to ensure it is operating properly in case you need to use it in the event of a water emergency.



World Water Day is Tuesday March 22, 2022 how will you celebrate? We here at Avra Water encourage your conservation efforts everyday throughout the year. To help reduce your water usage Avra Water offers several water conservation tools to use throughout your home at not cost to our members. We offer free shower heads, kitchen and bathroom aerators, toilet dye tabs, as well as toilet flappers. Call and get yours today and celebrate as you save our Earth's most precious resource, water.

Avra Water must have access to all meters in our service area, for the purpose of meter reading, checking for leaks or to unlock or lockout the meter. Please keep meter areas free of debris, trash and obstructions. Thank you for your cooperation.

The mission of Avra Water Co-op, Inc. is to provide for the present and future water supply needs of its members and customers at the most reasonable cost.



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