



MEWA's March Newsletter

April 3, 2025

Dear MEWA Members/PanArk homeowners,

Billing: Q1-2025 invoices for water users went out via Quickbooks email and via snail-mail to those that have requested it on April 1st. Due to previous work/travel commitments, the Q1 billing cycle represents the 3 month period from Dec 31, 2024 to March 22, 2025, one week shorter than a full 3 months. This means that the Q2 invoicing cycle will be 1 week longer than a full 3 months. At this time, we don't anticipate that this will materially affect anyone's invoices.

Building/Selling: Are you not planning on building and interested in selling your water certificate? Please contact mewawater@gmail.com to try and connect you with a buyer who is planning on building soon.

Water Usage & Leaks: A friendly reminder that MEWA's court-approved Augmentation Plan and Governing Documents allow for the use of 90 gallons per day per residence of domestic in-house usage (not irrigation, car washing, growing vegetables, etc.) which equates to 8,000 gal per quarter. This is the legal amount MEWA is allowed to pump from the ground via our 3 community wells. Your cooperation and compliance with this document is non-negotiable so please familiarize yourselves with it. We are in the hopefully final stages of completing an Augmentation Plan amendment to add additional water certificates so please keep your fingers crossed for that.

In light of the last couple weeks of leak detection efforts, we can't stress the importance of **#1** having a functioning water meter, and **#2** properly turning off your water either via an inside shut-off valve OR via the outside curb stop (MEWA can assist with this) when leaving for more than a couple of days both in winter AND summer. We were able to detect a couple of significant leaks via the 2 rounds of emergency meter reads on March 2 and March 13 and continue to ferret out minor chronic leaks & high users via the quarterly billing cycle meter reads. Unfortunately, an improperly winterized customer service line was the proximate cause of our major leak in a neglected vacant structure with no meter installed and no one regularly checking on the property, resulting in hundreds of thousands of gallons lost, a financial impact to the Association, not to mention the angst, frustration, and sweat equity of residents, MEWA board members and staff alike.

Mobility Plan: The Lake County Gateways Mobility Plan is studying ways to improve traffic safety, make it easier to walk and bike across US 24, and reduce truck traffic in Downtown Leadville. Take a minute to share your feedback by taking the survey today!

MEWA April Board Meeting Information:

If you would like to join MEWA's monthly board meeting, please see below for zoom link

Time: Apr 15, 2025 05:30 PM Mountain Time

Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88937447892?pwd=jdBTFLWkZ6qD5WbrYzbExM5HwIHBTa.1>

Meeting ID: 889 3744 7892

Passcode: Meet

Thank you,

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