

KRISTA MUTUAL WATER COMPANY

CONSERVE WATER!!! DROUGHT CONDITIONS

Water Restrictions

Watering Lawns and Gardens are as followed

Even number houses water only on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays,

Odd number houses water Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturdays.

No watering from 10 am to 5 pm. Watering houses, driveways or cars is NOT allowed

We are **not** stopping the use of pools, but we are asking you to see the tips for **Reduce Swimming Pool Water Waste**. (See other side for those and other tips) We have not wanted to implement this restriction because we understand we are taking this away from the children but all of California is in a **MEGA drought**.

Water Theft

Please be on the lookout for water thieves, water trucks are filling their water trucks at fire hydrants from Lebec to Lake the woods if you see something called the water company our number is 661-245-5613 Krista does not sell water or allow anyone but the fire department to use our fire hydrants thank you.

Meter Grant

Our meter grant is here! We hope to start putting in meters this fall. We will also be working on a rate study with RCAC (Rural Community Assistance Corporation). This grant also includes a permanent Generator and well site improvements. Krista will have to rent a generator for this upcoming season of PSPS's. All these improvements will help with the merger of both companies.

Krista Fluoride Contamination Planning Project State Revolving Fund Grant

This project is still ongoing, Krista is working with Lebec, the State, engineers from both Lebec and Krista water company as well as our consultants at Self- Help Enterprise. Our engineers are working on the build and designs that will incorporate upgrades to our system for the annexation. We are still working on this we will also be working on an application to get a grant for the consolidation of the 2 companies.

Annexation Request for upgrades STILL HAPPENING

Our company was formed in 1971, much of what is running through our system has been there since that time. Our board has been working diligently to find ways to upgrade our system, they have looked at grants and all the options that we could before our board approached Lebec with the possibility of annexation. Krista's board has given Lebec's engineer all the info on what is necessary to upgrade our system. A feasibility study has been done to see what would need to be needed by both companies to consolidate. They have requested that we have a new tank put in to replace 3 of our old tanks, Meters, replace most of our system lines within the housing track (The line from our well to Canyon was done 20 years ago, but may still be replaced with the annexation), all new valves, SCADA System (Radio controls of wells and tanks), and an intertie with Lebec's line up the road. Krista's Well to be converted to an above ground pump and motor, with a generator on site and boosters. We will have the intertie with Lebec at the wellsite where the water will be blended to reduce the fluoride levels and provide water if our well fails. Lebec will have to have their line that will connect to us upgraded to handle the pressure and a new tank to hold enough water to supply to us and their existing customers. This study has taken a lot of work between both Board of directors (Krista's & Lebec), their engineers and the state. **The state will be looking at the proposed study to see if we can get an annexation grant to pay for all upgrades to both systems. ALL OF THESE SUGGESTIONS ARE NOT GUARANTEED. Everyone involved is excited for the future of our community. This process will take 5 to 10 years with many monthly meetings and paperwork. If you are interested in finding out more, please come on our board meetings on the last Monday of the month.**

PG&E public safety power shutoffs (PSPS)

We will be preparing for the PSPS that occur between August and December by renting a generator.

When the power goes out, we do not always get a notice, much like you, so please conserve water during power outages as our pumps cannot work without power. It takes about 4 hours to fill our tanks and our operator needs to be up here running the generator and keeping an eye on the tanks. This is all added expenses, and we try to use this sparingly, but we do want you to have the water you always need for basic living.

The Board of directors would like to welcome any shareholder to come to our Board of Directors meetings and Shareholders meetings which are held at via zoom and the agenda can be found on our website with the zoom info at

<https://kristamutualwater.com/>. **Board of Directors meetings are held the last Monday of the month at 1:00 pm.** We look forward to seeing you.

Reduce Swimming Pool Water Waste

- Use a Pool Cover
- Check for Leaks
- Lower the Pool's Water Level
- If Your Pool is Heated, Lower the Temperature
- Backwash Pool Filters Only When Necessary
- Reuse Backwash or Dechlorinated Waste Pool Water on Lawns and Shrubs
- Drain Your Pool or Spa Only When Absolutely Necessary

Reduce Home Water Waste

- Showers: Save water by showering for only 3 minutes.
 - Install a low-flow showerhead, then take only 3-minute showers
 - Run water into a bucket when you are getting the water warm before showering or bath (Use this water to flush the toilet with)
 - Get wet
 - Shut off water and lather up
 - Turn on water and rinse, then shut water off ASAP
- Baths: Use a 3-inch baths deep bath, not a full tub
- Don't use the toilet as a trash can.
- Replace your toilet with a water saving ultra-low flush model. This can save up to 14,000 gallons of water per year! That's 1,871 cubic feet of water. A potential savings of over \$1,500 per year.
- Fix all leaky toilets, faucets, pipes, and swamp coolers.
- Flush toilets only when necessary:
- Turn off the water when shaving, washing, and brushing your teeth.
- Run only full loads in dishwashers and washing machines.
- Keep a pitcher of water in the refrigerator instead of running it at the tap until it cools.
- Use a brush and a bowl full of water, instead of running water over fruits and vegetables.
- If buying a new washing machine, buy a front-loading washer; these use 1/3 less water than top loaders.
- Turn off the water when you're not using it.
- Wash two or three kids in the tub at the same time.
- Reuse the shower & tub water for watering indoor plants & flushing the toilet.
- Use the Laundromat to wash your clothes.
- Use a broom or rake rather to remove leaves and debris from driveway, walk, patio, and pool decks.
- Use a car wash which recycles water
- Do not let children play with an open hose or faucet.