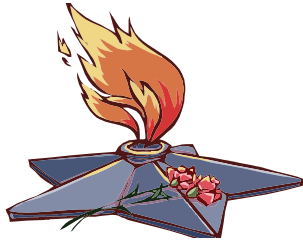


Current Events



May Office Closure

WaterPro's office will be closed on Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day.

WaterPro, Draper City, and Jordan Valley WCD Will Host Water Week Tours for Draper Fourth Graders

Last year's Water Week field trips were such a success, we're once again inviting fourth graders from all Draper public and private schools to tour WaterPro's and Jordan Valley Water Conservation District's (JVWCD) water treatment plants in special field trips during the first week of May.

Employees from Draper City, WaterPro, and JVWCD will escort the tours, as well as give hands-on demonstra-

tions on watershed preservation, storm-water pollution, the history of water in Draper, and more.



Thanks in part to a grant from JVWCD's conservation program, we are able to offer this program at no cost to the schools, the students, or their families. In addition to the field trip, we are also providing classroom materials so teachers can incorporate the lessons learned during the tours into their lesson plans.

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WaterPro Goes to Washington

Last month WaterPro's Assistant General Manager David Gardner went to Washington as part of a delegation from the Rural Water Association of Utah.

The purpose of the trip, which was paid for by Rural Water, was to meet with staffers in the offices of all Utah's senators and representatives to provide information about issues affecting private water systems. Approximately 40% of water systems in rural Utah are private, and WaterPro is the largest non-profit private water system in the state. As a member of Rural Water's Board of Directors, Mr. Gardner works with legislators in Salt Lake City and in Washington to make sure that customers of private systems such as WaterPro receive the same protections as customers of public water systems.



Gardner and Senator Orrin Hatch

Why Does Utah Use So Much Water?

Utahns use more water per person than citizens of every other state except Nevada. That's partly because of our dry climate, but it's also based on history and on the relatively low cost of water in the state, according to Eric Jones, a Water Conservation Engineer with the Utah Department of Natural Resources.

In a presentation at a recent Rural Water Association of Utah conference in St. George, Jones said that as of 2005, Utah's water use in gallons per person per day compared to other western states as follows:

Nevada	280
Utah	238

Arizona	197
California	193
Wyoming	189
Colorado	185
Idaho	172
New Mexico	148

One reason why Utahns use so much water is because our cost per gallon is less expensive than in all states but one. This is due to many climate, historical, and political factors. The low cost can hamper conservation efforts, but the fact is that as our population increases, conservation becomes more important.

For more information about water in Utah, visit the Utah Division of Water Resource's web site at water.utah.gov and view their reports.

Utah Water Week May 1-7

Since 2007, the state of Utah has celebrated Water Week during the first week of May. Visit the Water Week website at www.waterweek.org to find out about brown bag seminars, garden fairs, the Water for People golf tournament and bicycle race, poetry contests, and more.

See You on Earth Day!

Once again Draper Irrigation will join Draper City's Earth Day celebration. Join us on April 30 in Draper Park for hands-on water education activities.



Low Pressure? Check the Filter!

Now that pressure irrigation season has begun, some customers find that some zones aren't putting out as much water as they expect. Before you call for repairs, check the filters to make sure they are clear of debris. As part of routine maintenance, be sure to clean filters regularly.



WaterPro History Corner

Win a Gift Card—Answer the History Question:

We hope you know by now that this year marks the 100th anniversary of our culinary service. But the company (then called Draper Irrigating Company) started providing irrigation water much earlier. In what year was the Draper Irrigating Company incorporated?

Look for the answer on WaterPro's web page (www.waterpro.net), then email your answer to hope@waterpro.net by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 20.

We will draw one of the correct answers, and the winner will receive a \$20 gift card.

Last Month's History Question:

In what year were the first water rights officially deeded and recorded in the Utah Territory? The answer—1880—was submitted by XX people. From those, we drew the name of Carol Hammond. Congratulations, Carol!

