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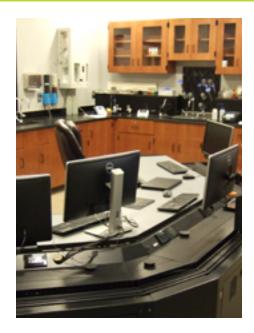
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Roswell Water Treatment Plant Grand Opening

Under construction since April 2014, the City of Roswell is proud to announce the opening the brand new, state-ofthe-art Roswell Water Treatment Plant!

The newly completed facility features:

- The ability to produce 3.3 million gallons of water per day.
- A 10 million gallon raw water storage tank.
- Safer and more cost effective equipment.
- Hydraulic Rapid Mix for coagulation



- Mechanical flocculation for greater control.
- Plate settlers that produce higher quality water in a smaller footprint.
- A fully automated, state-of-the-art Control Center.
- Remote operations and monitoring via tablets.

To celebrate the completion of the plant, the City will be hosting a Grand Opening Celebration and Drinking Water Festival on Saturday, May 21. Join us for tours of the new facility, learn about the AquaHawk Alerting Customer Web Portal, educational activities for kids, giveaways, and a cookout.

Roswell Water Customers: Sign up for the AquaHawk Web Portal!

Wouldn't it be amazing to get an alert if your hose was accidently left running in the backyard or your toilet has a leak? Roswell water customers are now able to see their actual or projected water

use any time during the billing cycle through the AquaHawk Alerting web portal! You can even set a threshold for alerts via email, text, or phone - say, when your usage is trending to exceed a certain gallon or dollar amount.For more information or to sign up for AquaHawk, visit Roswellgov.com/aquahawk.

This service is available for Roswell

Water Utility customers only, and will not work for residents with water service from Fulton County. If you're not sure which water provider you are with, take a look at your most recent bill or call 770-641-3759.



Spring Startup for Irrigation Systems

When freezing temperatures give way to spring, it's time to turn on irrigation systems and start watering again. Here are a few very important steps to make sure you do not damage pipes or irrigation components:



- 1. Crack the water source valve and slowly begin filling up the system.
- 2. When water starts coming out of the drain, close the drain valve.
- Close any other valves to the outside (including sprinklers) and

- begin pressurizing the system.
- Once the system is pressurized, let each station run for two minutes. Inspect for proper coverage, leaks, clogged nozzles, and any other irregularities.
- 5. Make adjustments and repairs as necessary.
- 6. Review the sprinkler times on the controller. Supplement rainwater to provide the lawn with just enough water to survive.

Most people tend to over water in the spring. An irrigation system should only act as a supplement to rain. Depending on the amount of rainfall, sprinklers may not be needed until June. Grass is healthiest and most resilient when it is thirsty and seeking out water, which enables it to establish a deep root system. Frequent watering causes shallow rooting, ill-preparing the grass for summer stress. As a rule of thumb, lawns only need approximately 1" of water per week.

If recharging the irrigation system sounds intimidating or confusing, please do not hesitate to call in a professional. A Certified Landscape and Irrigation Auditor (CLIA) can help to ensure that your system is running efficiently and help you to identify ways to conserve water and save money.

Celebrate Fix-A-Leak Week!

March 14-20, 2016

Did you know that household leaks can waste more than 1 trillion gallons of water each year? And that ten percent of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons or more per day?

That's why the EPA celebrates Fix-A-Leak Week every March by teaching homeowners how to be Leak Detectives and find and fix household leaks. Visit **Epa.gov/watersense/our_water/fix_a_leak.html** for tips and tricks on how to save valuable water and money. Keep your home leak-free by repairing dripping faucets, running toilets, and faulty showerheads.

But don't forget - it's great to be a leak detective all year round!



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- **♦** Questions about your bill? 770-641-3759
- To report a water leak or water quality issue: 770-641-3707 (Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.)
- ♦ After hours water leak issue: 770-640-4100
- **♦** Questions about water conservation: 770-641-3707