

April 2016

get to know GROWTH

»» Castle Rock is a thriving community, and your Town knows you may have thoughts and concerns about growth. Join us for a presentation and discussion about growth during two open house events:

Tuesday, April, 26 at Town Hall

Wednesday, May II, at the Rec Center

Both open houses start at 5: 30 p.m. with a formal presentation at 6 p.m.

Learn more at CRgov.com/growth.

»»Water Conservation rebates

As the season begins to turn, more residents will be headed outdoors. But, before irrigation season officially begins, the Town is encouraging residents to keep conservation in mind.

Town Council recently approved the 2016 Conservation Rebate Incentive Program. The program helps encourage residents to be water conscious and offers several rebates as part of an overall conservation plan.

The incentive program rewards residents transitioning from high-water-use landscaping and inefficient irrigation to other water-smart alternatives. It's funded with water restriction violations and tier 4 conservation surcharges. Funds are limited, and rebates are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

A household can only qualify for each rebate once. The 2016 program includes rebates for smart irrigation controllers, rotary nozzle retrofits, rain sensors and SmartScape renovations.

More information, rebate details and applications are available at CRgov.com/rebates.

Your Town Talk

News From Around the Rock

Join the call to conserve

Castle Rock is a community that understands conservation. For years, residents have made great strides in making sure our entire community cuts back. While the Town has embraced the call to conserve by saving more than 20 percent over the last 10 years, Mayor Paul Donahue and Castle Rock Water want to take water efficiency to the next level.

Of course our Town landmark, the Rock, is solid, but what if we could "fill" it with water? Join Castle Rock Water, the Mayor and other Castle Rock residents in taking a pledge to conserve water and help the environment. This fun, free pledge will only take a few minutes to complete, but could add up to big savings for our community. Pledge to take a shorter shower, fix that leaky faucet, wash only full loads of laundry, or invest in Energy Star appliances. We'll take those WATER savings during the month of April to "fill" the Rock!

Head to CRgov.com/waterpledge April 1 through 30 to take the pledge and "fill" the Rock. The Town is partnering with the Wyland Foundation, as well as the National League of Cities, EPA Office of Water and the U.S. Forest Service to encourage communities around the country to take the online pledge to conserve. Not only do we want to "fill" the Rock with water savings, we want to get more pledges than our surrounding communities. Help us come out as the most water conscious community in Colorado.

If Castle Rock is ranked among the top pledging communities, the Town's participants could get entered to win one of more than 1,000 prizes worth a total of \$50,000, provided by the Wyland Foundation.

Get more information, or take the pledge, at CRgov.com/waterpledge.

Have a voice in your local government Join a board or commission and

Most residents would agree Castle Rock is a thriving community. Maintaining Castle Rock's character is a top priority. Volunteer for a Town board or commission and help make sure our community is going in the right direction.

Every year in May, each board and commission has positions with terms that will expire. Incumbents must also apply if they are interest in continuing their service. The Town currently has several vacancies within its boards and commissions and is accepting applications.

Most terms are two years unless otherwise noted. Interested applicants generally must be a Castle Rock residents and should submit an application form by 5 p.m. Friday, April 22. Applications are at CRgov.com/boardvacancies.

Applicants can apply for more than one board or commission; however, they can only be appointed to serve on one. More information on current vacancies; the overview, purpose, and responsibilities of the individual boards and commissions; and the application process, are available at CRgov.com/boards.



Annual roadwork has started

Summer is the perfect time for outdoor activities. It's also when crews take advantage of warm weather to repair roads. The Town's annual summer road maintenance program is underway.

The Council-approved Pavement Maintenance Program concentrates roadwork to one of five defined residential areas each year on a rotating basis. Additionally, primary and Downtown streets receive repairs as needed. The goal is to increase efficiency, reduce costs and minimize disruption to neighborhoods.

In 2016, the residential focus will be on the north area of Town including Diamond Ridge, Sapphire Pointe Terrain and Cobblestone Ranch. View a schedule at CRgov.com/PMP.

Each year as part of the program, main roads are also addressed. This year, the Town will reconstruct the section of Mikelson Boulevard between Enderud Boulevard and Sovereign Street in Founders Village. In addition, the section of Plum Creek Parkway between Wilcox Street and the Douglas County Fairgrounds will be restored, and the dip at the Wilcox street intersection will be removed.

Downtown streets are also maintained on an annual basis. This year, Perry Street from Fifth Street to Plum Creek Parkway will be resurfaced, and the concrete pavement portion of Front Street in the King Soopers area will also be restored.

Work is expected to wrap up by the end of summer. Of course, weather in Colorado is a factor, and schedules could change

Tentative schedule and bid information is online at CRgov.com/PMP.

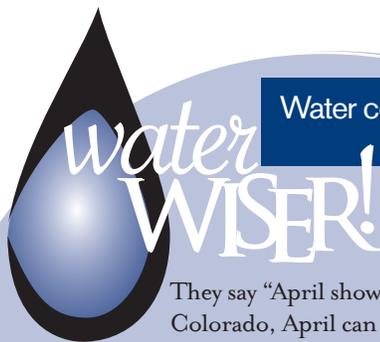
Spring up the season

Celebrate the change of season while doing something good for the environment at this year's Spring Up the Creek.

The annual event will be held from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., Saturday, May 7, at Festival Park. Join friends, neighbors and other volunteers to help clean up areas of East Plum Creek and Sellars Gulch.

The Town, with help from Douglas County, Castle Pines Metro District, Plum Creek Water Reclamation Authority and the Chatfield Watershed Authority, hosts the event to help keep the community's water clean and promote the importance of protecting the environment.

Volunteers can preregister, or get more information, at CRgov.com/springup. However, registration is not required. Show up Saturday morning if you're looking to help out.



Water conservation and efficiency tip
CRgov.com/waterwiser

They say "April showers bring May flowers." In Colorado, April can still mean snow. While it may seem summer is months away, the changing season is right around the corner. It's never too early to start thinking about irrigation season. Castle Rock Water can help with its Water Wiser workshops.

The interactive workshops teach customers how to detect water waste in their yards and how to improve their irrigation systems. Once complete, participants will earn a "Water Wiser" designation and will be exempt from the every-third-day watering schedule.

The workshops are free, but registration is required. Learn more at CRgov.com/waterwiser.

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Events in Castle Rock

April 12: Coffee with a Cop, 10-11 a.m., Castle Rock Senior Center, 2323 Woodlands Blvd. Get to know your police officers at this informal event. View all events at CRgov.com/pdcoffee.

April 14: Castle Rock Historical Society and Museum's free monthly presentation, 6:45-8 p.m., Philip S. Miller Library, 100 S. Wilcox St. Retired Channel 9News Anchor Ed Sardella will discuss how news has evolved over time.

April 16: Earth Day Willow Planting, 9 a.m.-noon, Festival Park. Celebrate Earth Day and help the Town improve wetland areas at Philip S. Miller Park. Learn more and get the participation waiver at CRgov.com/Events.

April 20: Wild in Our Town, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Town Council Chambers in Town Hall, 100 N. Wilcox St. Learn about the wildlife that also calls Castle Rock home.

April 21: Senior Life Expo, 3-7 p.m., Douglas County Events Center, 500 Fairgrounds Road. Seniors and their families can get information on all facets of life, including housing, home care, insurance, estate planning, transportation assistance, government programs, and activities.

April 26: Castle Rock 9Health Fair, 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Castle Rock Adventist Hospital, 2350 Meadows Blvd. Own your health at this year's 9Health Fair, which offers free and low-cost health screenings for children and adults. Learn more at 9healthfair.org.

May 6: Castle Rock Chorale Goes Caribbean concert, 7:30-8:30 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 2746 Fifth St. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors. The event is free for children under 12. Purchase tickets at the door.

May 7: Climb4Change, 7 a.m.-noon, Philip S. Miller Park's Challenge Hill. Support the Town of Castle Rock's REAL program for individuals with disabilities. Learn more at CRgov.com/Climb4Change.

May 7: Spring up the Creek, 8:30 a.m.-11:30 p.m., Festival Park. Don't trash where we splash. Help clean up the creek during the annual Spring Up the Creek event. Learn more and register at CRgov.com/SpringUp.

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On the Web:

Conservation: Interested in learning more about conservation? With irrigation season right around the corner, the Town has tips on CRgov.com and CRConserve.com about how to be water conscious. Help us redesign our conservation website by taking a survey at CRgov.com/conserv. We need to know how to help residents be water wise this season.