

**Arch Cape Sanitary District
Irrigation System Report and Leak Policy
Policy # 17-01 SD**

WHEREAS the billing invoice for the services and water treatment provided by the Arch Cape Sanitary District [ACSD] to its customers is based upon water consumption as measured and reported by the Arch Cape Domestic Water Supply District [ACDWS], including water consumption within Cannon View Park, Inc., and

WHEREAS, the ACSD intends to create a policy with regard to irrigation systems, water consumption, and irrigation system failures resulting in leaks,

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ARCH CAPE SANITARY DISTRICT,

THAT it shall be the policy of the ACSD to adhere to the definitions and provisions of the ACDWS Irrigation System Report and Leak Policy # 16-08 WD,

THAT the term "irrigation systems" is defined as an under-ground or above-ground system of pipes, fittings and sprinkler/distribution heads which when in operation dispense water onto lawns and landscape and is external to the dwelling plumbing system, and is not directly or indirectly connected to the ACSD wastewater collection and treatment system [Ref ACSD Dwelling Water Leak Policy # 16-07 SD],

THAT the term "leak" as used herein is defined as irrigation system failure beyond the control of the homeowner, resulting in the unintended consumption of water,

THAT the "cost of wastewater treatment" includes Operating Costs (total M&S), excluding bonded debt service, for the then current budget of the ACSD,

THAT owners and operators of irrigation systems within the boundaries of the ACSD, including customers within Cannon View Park, Inc., shall submit annually a maintenance and operations report in the form and substance provided herein, including as follows [Ref. Annual Irrigation Policy Maintenance and Operations Report Form]:

- (1) The report shall contain a certification by the owner of proper operation on the controllers and piping, fittings, and sprinkler/distribution heads;
- (2) The report shall contain the time and rate of use in gallons per minute (GPM)
- (3) The report shall contain the current names and current telephone numbers for the homeowner and his/her irrigation contractors (simple residence drip systems may be maintained by the homeowner);
- (4) The report shall be submitted to the District Manager of the ACDWS and ACSD no later than May 1st of each year.

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THAT irrigation systems shall be physically shut off from November 1 through April 30 of the next year and that no relief for irrigation leaks shall be granted for leaks occurring during that period,

THAT homeowners shall reasonably monitor water usage and timely repair irrigation systems, upon discovery by the homeowner, or notice from the ACDWSD or ACSD, of any leaks,

THAT in the event of an irrigation system leak resulting in excess water use charges, said excess charges may be appealed to the ACSD as provided in the ACSD Billing Appeal Policy, including a statement of when the leak was discovered along with evidence of timely repair such as a repair bill or parts invoice [Ref. ACSD Billing Appeal Policy # 16-04 SD]

THAT along with other relevant evidence, consideration shall be given to homeowner history of water consumption during the twelve month period immediately preceding the discovery of the leak, homeowner acts or omissions, the timeliness of repairs, the severity of the leak, and whether the homeowner was absent from the subject dwelling for a period of 30 days or more at the time of occurrence, without having shut off the water supply to the irrigation system,

THAT it shall be the policy of the ACSD to grant relief from excess wastewater treatment charges, including water consumption within Cannon View Park, Inc., as determined by the ACDWSD to be water consumption due to an irrigation system leak beyond the control of the homeowner, and discovered and repaired in a timely manner,

THAT the Board of Directors of the ACSD shall have the power, in its sole discretion, when granting relief from excess wastewater treatment charges, as follows: (1) to waive said excess charges in whole or in part, and/or (2) to invoice said excess wastewater usage at the cost of wastewater treatment,

THAT in the event that an ACDWSD and ACSD Annual Irrigation Policy Maintenance and Operations Report Form is not submitted by May 1st of each year as provided herein, then said customer shall have no claim for relief whatsoever from ACSD billing invoice charges, basic, excess or otherwise.

DATED:

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