

## Tips on Protecting Your Home from Wildfire

Protecting your home from wildfires involves proactive measures to reduce potential ignition sources and create defensible spaces. Here are key steps from the National Fire Protection Association homeowners can take:

**Create Defensible Space:** Maintain a buffer zone around your home by removing dead vegetation, leaves, and other flammable materials. This space helps slow the spread of wildfires and provides a safer area for firefighters to operate.

**Use Fire-Resistant Landscaping:** Incorporate fire-resistant plants and materials in your landscaping. Keep lawns and native grasses well-watered and mowed to a low height. Create fuel breaks with driveways, walkways, patios, and decks.

**Maintain Your Home's Exterior:** Regularly clean roofs and gutters to prevent the accumulation of flammable debris. Ensure that vents are properly screened to prevent embers from entering your home.

**Store Flammable Items Safely:** Keep firewood piles, propane tanks, and other combustible materials at least 30 feet away from your home. This reduces the risk of these items igniting and spreading fire to your residence.

**Prepare an Emergency Plan:** Develop and practice a wildfire evacuation plan with all household members. Ensure everyone knows the evacuation routes and has access to emergency supplies.

By implementing these strategies, homeowners can significantly enhance their property's resilience against wildfires. For more detailed guidance on wildfire preparedness, go to [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org).

## Next Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 19th, 2025 at 8 am  
In person or via Zoom. Visit [www.roxwater.org](http://www.roxwater.org) for more information. Public Welcome.

## Bill Payment Reminder

The District's office cannot accept and process water bill payments. We encourage you to use the following methods to pay your water bill:

- Set up a recurring monthly payment by enrolling in ACH
- Pay online with credit card or check via Point and Pay
- Mail a check in the return envelope enclosed with your water bill

Visit [www.roxwater.org](http://www.roxwater.org)



## Roxborough

Water & Sanitation District

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Littleton, CO 80125  
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[www.roxwater.org](http://www.roxwater.org)

### For billing and payment inquiries:

**Community Resource Services**  
of Colorado (CRS of CO)  
7995 E. Prentice Ave, Suite 103E  
Greenwood Village, CO 80111  
Phone: 303-381-4960

Roxborough Water

# WATER *Matters*

## *A Peak Inside*

Garden in a Box 

Lawn Replacement Program 

Waterwise Seminar Coming Soon 

Winter Watering Tips 

Fire Mitigation Tips 



## Low-watering gardening made easy

Garden in a Box kits are available starting March 4 for May and June pickup.

RWSD is partnering with Resource Central to offer low-water perennial garden kits to transform your yard! Shop early and you may qualify for a \$25 off coupon, exclusive to Roxborough Water customers. Coupons are limited so make your purchase today! Visit [www.ResourceCentral.org/gardens](http://www.ResourceCentral.org/gardens) or call 303-999-3820 ext. 222 for more information.



### SAVE WATER EASILY

Low-water plants help you save about 7,000 gallons of water over the garden's lifetime compared to a traditional lawn.



### NO GREEN THUMB REQUIRED

Use the plant-by-number maps and Plant & Care Guide for a low-water garden that's as simple as it is beautiful.



### INSTANT CURB APPEAL

Using starter plants instead of seeds, Garden In A Box is a quick way to add a pop of color to your yard.



### PRO DESIGN WITHOUT THE COST

Professionally designed for Colorado yards and starting at just \$127, Garden In A Box kits are beautiful AND affordable.



### ATTRACT THE "LOCALS"

Your colorful gardens will attract pollinators, helping spread the love throughout your neighborhood!

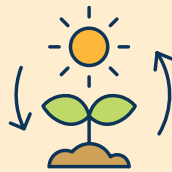


## Upgrade to a waterwise yard

Apply today for the Lawn Replacement Program!

Do you want to save water and money, improve the health of your landscape, increase curb appeal and inspire your neighbors? Then transform your thirsty lawn into a beautiful, low-water landscape! Roxborough Water, in partnership with Resource Central is offering five \$750 coupons toward a lawn replacement.

Coupons are first come, first serve so apply early! Check out the Lawn Replacement Program at [www.ResourceCentral.org/lawn](http://www.ResourceCentral.org/lawn) or call 303-999-3820 ext. 221 to apply!



## Right plant, right place, right practice seminar

Wednesday April 16, 2025 | 6:30–8:00 PM

Colorado's semi-arid climate conditions can make landscaping and gardening a challenge. Successful landscape design in our state demands specific horticultural best practices that are unique to this geographic region. Sustainable landscape design provides a sense of place by using the design principle right plant, right place. Be sure to register for best practice — tips developed at Denver Botanic Gardens to ensure a healthy and sustainable landscape. This educational webinar, sponsored by RWSD, will discuss soil, amendments, planting practices, watering recommendations, mulch, and of course — plants! Great for all levels of gardeners. Visit [www.ResourceCentral.org/seminars](http://www.ResourceCentral.org/seminars).



## Winter tree and landscape watering

As winter settles over Roxborough, it's essential to remember that our landscapes still require attention. Supplemental watering during the colder months is crucial to maintain the health and longevity of trees and shrubs. These tips will help keep your trees and shrubs in tip top shape during the dry and windy winter.

**Monitor Weather Conditions:** Water during extended dry periods without snow cover, aiming for one to two times per month.

**Choose the Right Time:** Water only when air and soil temperatures are above 40°F and ensure there's no snow cover. Apply water at mid-day to allow it to soak in before potential freezing at night.

**Watering Wisely:** For trees, it's best to let water soak into the soil slowly to a depth of 12 inches. Methods include garden hoses, deep-root forks or needles, soaker hoses, or soft spray wands. Apply water to multiple locations under the dripline and beyond, as roots extend well beyond the tree's canopy.

**Deliver Enough Water:** As a general rule, apply 10 gallons of water for each diameter inch of the tree. For example, a two-inch diameter tree needs 20 gallons per watering. Use a ruler to measure your tree's diameter at 6 inches above ground level.

**Consider Mulching:** Applying mulch can help conserve soil moisture and protect roots from temperature extremes.

By watering in the winter, you can help ensure your trees and shrubs are ready to thrive when spring arrives.