

## **Notice To Water Hauling Residents!**

For those that haul their own water, this past summer there was a Nextdoor message about the increasing cost of water purchased in Bayfield. As an alternative, the La Plata Archuleta Water District ([www.laplawd.org](http://www.laplawd.org)) has a fill station in Ignacio, but also one closer. It is east of Gem Village at US 160 & CR 225A. Their rate is \$7.65 per 1000 gallons, which I believe is much less than the rate mentioned this past summer. The fill station operates 24/7 and does require a free pre-registration.

Additionally, many Deer Valley Estates residents are already members of the LAPLAWD. You, or home/lot predecessor, may have opted to join the district about 10 or so years ago when it was offered. I think the fee back then was only \$150 or so. You can check your property tax bill or call them to see if you are a member. If you are a member, you are allotted up to 3,000 gallons per month for free as part of your membership in the water district.

If you are not a member, you can still get water by paying the above rate, or by joining the water district and getting the first 3,000 gallons free each month. That initial joining fee is now \$500 and the few dollars of annual property tax contribution.

Their website is [www.laplawd.org](http://www.laplawd.org) and their phone number is 970-563-0320

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