

April 16, 2026

RE: OUTSIDE WATERING

FROM: 700 Golfmore Board of Managers

As everyone knows, the availability of water for outside use this year is almost nonexistent. The HOA has water from the ditch through the Grand Valley Water Users Association. The HOA pays a yearly fee to the Grand Valley Water Users Association and this year was \$566.16. It is hopeful that Grand Valley Water Users Association can find sources of water from other locations, as Will from WD Yards thought might be a possibility.

The Grand Valley Water Users Association has asked to allow lawns to go dormant this year. If we do not use the water, we are entitled to it just goes down the ditch. The graveled hardscape around the building is Ute Water and it is possible we might be put on rations; we are not yet and that water has been on for a little over a month. The grass is all ditch water. This board's view is to use the water that we have available for the grass and trees and not waste it.

If the current conditions remain, we will go into a dormant summer for grass. We will potentially have water until the end of May to mid-June. It is our hope if we use the ditch water, we have available now, it will help to put some moisture in the ground and help the grass what we can. We are doing everything we can to get the sprinkler system going but the ditch has been on and off and that has made scheduling difficult.

Randy attended a meeting on Monday with homeowners up the street which also included the grounds keeper for Bookcliff Country Club and has been working with WD Yards for solutions to help our HOA. These are the solutions we will put into effect now.

1. Use the ditch water as long as it is available.
2. Cut the grass from 3 to 4 inches high. It will look ratty, but it will help. We presently cut the grass 3 inches or shorter. Most of our grass is bluegrass and it can survive a year of drought.
3. Reduce some watering zones and length of irrigation time.
4. No additional plants, shrubs or grasses will be added. We will try to maintain what we have and if we lose some will not replace them now. Start moving in the

direction of zero scape. This will be a long and slow process, but it is past time to start thinking that way.

5. All drips that we can find and are not in use have been plugged.
6. Possibly, not committing to this now, spraying the grass with a green coating that will help hold moisture.

Thank you,

Karen, Randy and Dena