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Rural America's Steam Engine Capital

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Monday 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sunday Closed

Conserving Water Indoors

The average Minnesota resident uses about 52 gallons per person per day. There are many ways you can save water in your home with toilets, showers, clothes washing, faucets and leaks.

Toilets are one of the biggest sources of indoor water consumption, using almost 24 percent of a home's water. Older toilets use even more. To save water, purchase toilets:

- With the WaterSense label.
- That are dual flush.
- That use less than 1.6 gallons per flush.

Showers

Here's how you can reduce your water use when showering:

- Take shorter showers, which saves gallons of water.
- Use a shower timer and aim for a shower length of 3-5 minutes.
- Turn off the water while shampooing and lathering. Turn it back on to rinse.

Older shower heads, especially those installed before the 1980s, have high rates of water flow - as much as 8 gallons per minute. Low volume shower heads with improved spray patterns and aeration use as little as 2.5 gallons per minute. Efficient shower heads save as much as 13,000 gallons a year for an average household.

Clothes Washing Machines

Conventional, top loading washing machines use as much as 51 gallons of water per load. High efficiency, front loading washing machines use as little as 15 gallons. They also wash clothes more gently. To save both water and money when you wash:

- Only full loads of laundry.
- Lightly soiled laundry in shorter cycles.
- Use less detergent in high efficiency washers.
- Use cold water.

Faucets

Faucets in kitchens and restrooms are the fourth largest source of home water consumption.

Newer, low-volume faucets use aeration and flow restrictors that maintain performance while using less water. If your faucets are older, you can benefit from installing aerator flow restrictors on faucets.

Water softeners allow soap to work more effectively and reduce the amount of water used for washing. Older models of water softeners waste excessive water and salt by cycling more often than necessary

Leaks

Proactive efforts to find and fix leaks save water and money for homeowners and prevent water damage. Use your water meter to determine if there is a leak:

- Turn off all water-using appliances.
- Check your water meter, it should not be turning or changing numbers.
- Make note of the number and check again in an hour.
- If the number changes, there is a leak.

Most undetected leaks in a home are in toilets or clothes washers. Check these appliances first. Toilet leaks can waste over 200 gallons of water every day. They are usually caused by a bad flapper or other easy-to-repair parts. You can use food coloring or leak detection tablets are available at your hardware store.

Water conservation for residents. Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. (2024, March 21). https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/watermgmt section/appropriations/water-conservation-residents.html



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The next time your lawn is cut, please follow these simple guidelines:

- NEVER leave grass clippings on the streets, sidewalk or paved area. Grass clippings clog storm lines, which leads to flooded streets during rain events
- Aim your mower chute AWAY from paved
- Use leaf blowers to blow grass clippings into the yard-NOT into the streets
- Compost excess grass clippings or use them as mulch in your garden

Lawn clippings are a great natural fertilizer. Leave them on your grass to recycle the nutrients contained in the clippings as they are biodegradable.

Avoid a citation...

not on city street

in your yard,

Grass clippings belong



HOP ON THE FREE BUS!

Spring Grove Swim Center **Bus Sponsored by the City of Mabel & Canton**



Fridays: June 6, 13, 20 & 27 Fridays: July 11, 18, & 25 Friday: August 1

The bus will leave Mabel from the softball field at the Steam Engine Grounds at 12:45 pm.

The bus will return to Mabel at 4:45 pm at the same location. Pay \$4.00 admission to the pool (unless you have a season pass). Must be 8 years old unless with an adult. Questions? Call Karen Larson 507.493.5299





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5 BBQ Sandwich, Cowboy Beans & Chips	6	7
8	9	TACOS	11	Brats, Chips and Macaroni Salad	13	14
15	16	TACOS	18	Spaghetti, Lettuce Salad and Garlic Toast	20 Matt Cherekee Band 8PM-12AM	21 Legion Auxiliar Lunch 7am-4pn
22 Meat Raffle 2-4PM	23	TACOS	25	26 Hotdish	27	Vertigo One 7-10pm
29	30					



Safe Shelter in Severe Weather

In response of severe weather, the Mabel Community Center has been designated as a storm shelter for residents. Equipped with backup power, the center offers a safe and accessible place during extreme weather events. This initiative ensures that all members of the community have a secure place to turn to in times of crisis,



Summer Reading Porgram Mabel Public Library



There is no poop fairy.... Please clean up after your furry friends!



Dog waste is not biodegradable like wild animal waste. It contains harmful bacteria, pollutes ground water, and creates a mess on the bottom of a shoe. So, please help keep our parks and neighborhoods clear of poop piles by disposing your dog's waste!

Yard Waste/Compost pickup on Mondays Resumes

Our city crew has begun weekly Monday morning yard compost pick-ups. Compost pickup will be Monday mornings through the last Monday in October (10/27 in 2025). Place your leaves, grass clippings and mulch into plastic bags or boxes. Brush must be cut into 4-ft lengths and no larger than 6-inches in diameter. NO garbage, non-biodegradable items or excessively heavy bins/bags will be accepted. Those items will be left curbside and pick up will be discontinued at your residence. If you have questions, please call city hall. Thank you for cooperating so we can continue this free service that most cities don't have.