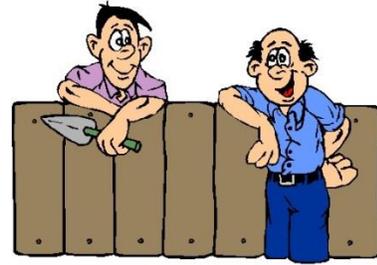


"So what's with these ditches, anyway?!"

Hi Neighbor!

As you walk around the neighborhood, you have probably noticed an intricate system of ditches originating from our own Mill Creek stream running from Millcreek Canyon. The towering older trees and lush growth of our community are a result of the planning and foresight of early settlers in East Millcreek. Early irrigation ditches were designed and built to disperse the valuable water to acres of fruit orchards, farms and homes from about 27th South to 40th South and 20th East to about 27th East. The result is our stunning community of vibrant natural plant growth and beautiful shady trees.



The irrigation ditches you find in East Mill Creek are managed by a Nonprofit cooperative called The East Mill Creek Water Company. Each morning the water is diverted from Mill Creek into one of three major ditches, and further distributed along several different laterals. Everything is done according to set schedules as Shareholders take turns diverting the water onto their property.

We need your help!

Here are a few ways you can help to keep the irrigation ditches safe and sound.

1. To prevent floods, remove all leaves, debris, or obstructions from the ditch and grates, especially in the spring and after a storm. Grass clippings, trash and even basketballs can cause thousands of \$\$ of damage to a neighbor's home. If there is a flood, please call Ben Towers at 801-230-0388.
2. Mill Creek water is perfect for lawns, but not suitable for drinking.
3. If you see anyone dumping something into the ditch, please report it to the Sheriff. Oil, weeds, spa water and debris should not enter the ditch system. This water does not go to the sewer; it goes to a person's garden downstream.
4. Before you landscape, call 801-882-1173 or email DianeB@eastmillcreekwater.com to check out Water Company easements, and minimum size requirements for ditches and pipes.
5. Irrigation gates should only be adjusted by our Shareholders. Gates that are moved at the wrong time can cause flooding. Children have a blast playing with the water, but this should never include blocking or diverting the water from its designated flow.

If you live alongside one of our ditches and would like to learn more about the East Mill Creek Water Company or find out if joining can save you money on your water bill, visit our website at www.eastmillcreekwater.org or call Diane at 801-882-1173. Our mission is to provide safe, affordable and sustainable irrigation water. Many of our Shareholders pay less than \$200 per year to water their yards.

Thank you for your help,
Your Friends and Neighbors at The East Mill Creek Water Company