



## AVERAGE NIGHTLY TEMPS FALLING FAST

**This is the time of year when serious water problems can occur due to freezing.**

### **Pueblo Freeze Data** (National Weather Service)

Mean Date of First Freeze.....	October 9
Earliest First Freeze.....	September 14, 1951
Mean Date of Last Freeze.....	May 2
Latest Freeze of the Season.....	June 2, 1919

### ● **Swamp Coolers**-drain by September 15<sup>th</sup>

*(Or before the first freeze)*

Shut off water from the supply and disconnect line. If yours uses an outside faucet as a supply for water, *remove the adapter from the faucet to prevent the faucet from freezing.* Look for any low spots that may exist in the water supply line that could hold water that does not allow gravity to drain the water. If water settles here it will freeze and you will be replacing your supply line in the spring. Disconnect power cords inside cooler and remove belt from pulleys to eliminate unnecessary tension on pulleys. A good place to store the faucet adapter and the belt are inside the swamp cooler. Cover unit and close inside house vent(s).

### ● **Lawn Sprinklers**-drain by October 15<sup>th</sup>

*(Or before the first freeze)*

Shut off water from the supply valve. Open all drained valves in the valve box so that water does not get trapped in them. DO NOT keep these valves closed or you may be purchasing new valves in the spring. Leave back flow devices open as well.

### ● **Garden Hoses**-disconnect from faucets by October 15<sup>th</sup>

*(Or before the first freeze)*

An outside water faucet shuts off the water several inches inside your home where the air is warm. When you shut off the faucet the water drains out the pipe to the outside of your home where the air is colder. If you leave a garden hose attached to the faucet during cold months the water CANNOT drain and it will freeze the pipe. Most of the time you will not know that you have a busted pipe in your home until you turn on the faucet and it floods the crawl space or the basement.



### ● **Leaky Outside Faucets**-need to be replaced.

*(Before the first freeze)*

A leaking faucet can freeze and cause serious damage inside your home. See “Garden Hoses” explanation above.

### ● **Furnaces**-change/clean filters.

*(Before the first usage)*

To maximize efficiency a clean air filter is a must. Quality filters need to be changed monthly. Cheap ones can last 2-3 months. Lubricate blower points where necessary.