

Ridgewood Water Weekly

July 2, 2026

Ridgewood Water Receives Leadership Award

Yolanda McCollom of Ridgewood Water (second from left) recently attended the American Water Works Association's Annual Conference & Exposition in Washington, D.C., for the Lead Service Line Collaborative's Honoring Excellence in Lead Service Line Replacement Initiative awards ceremony. Sixteen individuals and/or groups from around the country received awards. The Jersey Water Works Lead Service Line Implementation Workgroup received the **Policy Innovation and Leadership Award**. Ridgewood Water was a founding member of the JWW LSL Implementation Workgroup, with Director Richard Calbi Jr. initially serving as co-chair. McCollom has served as co-chair since 2025, participating in monthly workgroup meetings and water industry conferences to share LSL Replacement Program strategies.



Ridgewood Water Offices Closed on July 3

In observance of Independence Day, Ridgewood Water offices will be closed on Friday, July 3. Please note that our water system operators are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week and remain available for water-related emergencies. If you experience a water emergency, please **call 201-670-5520, extension 8**.

Raise Your Mower Blade to 3 Inches or Higher

Raising your mower blade to at least 3 inches can significantly improve your lawn's ability to retain moisture, helping you maintain a healthy lawn while reducing outdoor water use.

Longer grass blades:

- Reduce evaporation
- Promote deeper roots
- Improve drought tolerance
- Suppress weeds
- Reduce heat stress

