A Brewing Water Overview

Find your city water profile

- 1. On the BBoPP website select Colorado Springs Water on the Information tab
- 2. Use the Flouride Levels in Drinking Water link to go to the CSU website
- 3. Enter your Address to find your water source(s)
- 4. Read the PDF to se the source's water profile
- 5. If you need more information contact the Colorado Springs Utility Lab at waterquality@csu.org

Calcium

- Recommended Range 50-100 ppm
- Beneficial for enzyme action in the mash.
- Improves the flocculation of trub and yeast and
- Limits the extraction of grain husk astringency
- Reduces haze and gushing potential
- Improves wort runoff from the lauter tun
- Improves hop flavors.
- Exceeding the recommended range may cause phosphorus (an essential yeast nutrient) to precipitate excessively out of solution.

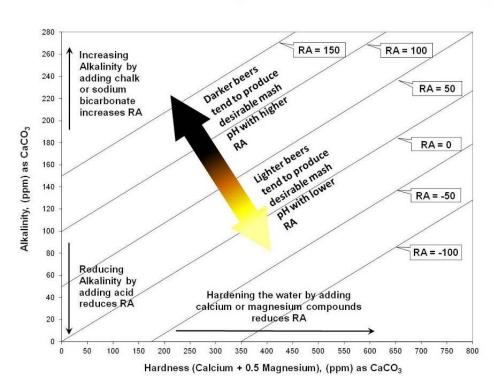
Sulfate / Chloride Ratio

Sulfate / Chloride Ratio Effects *	
Perception	SO ₄ /CI Ratio
Very Dry	>2
Dry	2
Balanced	1.3
Full	0.75
Very Full	0.5

^{*} for Chloride concentration between 25 and 100 mg/L

Residual Alkalinity (RA)

$$RA_{(ppm)} = Alkalinity_{(ppm)} - \left[\frac{Calcium_{(ppm)}}{3.5} + \frac{Magnesium_{(ppm)}}{7} \right]$$



Brewing Water Calculators

- Palmer's Brewing Water App
 - Offers suggested water profiles for most beer styles
- Brunwater.com
 - Website also has a very good presentation on brewing water
- https://www.ezwatercalculator.com
- https://www.brewersfriend.com/water-chemistry