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Stage 2 water conservation measures in effect for all RDCK water systems

Nelson, BC: Effective immediately, mandatory stage 2 water conservation measures are implemented across all Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) water systems. These measures will remain in effect until further notice. Stricter water conservation measures may be required if demand increases significantly, hot and dry weather persists, or if the reservoir declines to critically low levels.

Stage 2 water conservation measures have been implemented, as the Province's drought level classification is at level 4 in the West Kootenay and Lower Columbia regions. The response measures for level 4 are conservation and local water restrictions. Hot, dry weather continues to be in the forecast, while stream levels are near record lows for this time of year.

Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures include:

- Watering of lawns (including new lawns), gardens, trees, and shrubs is **ONLY** permitted between the hours of 6:00 am – 10:00 am and 8:00 pm – 10:00 pm.
- Watering by watering can or hand held hose is still permitted at anytime.

The RDCK appreciates your cooperation in adhering to the above water conservation measures. [Click here](#) for a complete description of RDCK water conservation measures stages 1 through 4, or visit www.rdck.ca/water.

Incorporated in 1965, the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is a local government that serves 60,000 residents in 11 electoral areas and nine member municipalities. The RDCK provides more than 160 services, including community facilities, fire protection and emergency services, grants, planning and land use, regional parks, resource recovery and handling, transit, water services and much more. For more information about the RDCK, visit www.rdck.ca.

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