



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

Water Conservation Notice

August 5, 2020

Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures now in effect for the Riondel Water System

Effective immediately, **Stage 3 Water Conservation Measures have been downgraded to Stage 2 for the Riondel Water System.** On July 29, 2020 the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) issued Stage 3 Water Conservation Measures for users on the Riondel Water System due to an extended power outage and high water demand resulting in low reservoir levels.

The RDCK asks that all Riondel Water System users comply with the following Stage 2 measures at a minimum:

- Watering of lawns (including new lawns) **ONLY** between the hours of **6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm.**
- Watering of gardens, trees and shrubs **ONLY** between the hours of **6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm.**
- Watering using drip irrigation, a watering can, and or hand held hose, which eliminates over-spray, is permitted at any time.

The RDCK appreciates your ongoing cooperation in adhering to the above water conservation measures. Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures will remain in effect until further notice and stricter water conservation measures may be required if demand increases significantly, hot and dry weather prevails, or the reservoir declines to critically low levels.

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RDCK Water Conservation Measures

Activity	Mandatory Restrictions			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Watering of lawns	ONLY between the hours 7 pm - 10 am	ONLY between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	Prohibited	Prohibited
Watering of new lawns (seed within 45 days and sod within 21 days of installation)	ONLY between the hours 7 pm - 10 am	ONLY between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	ONLY between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	Prohibited (Except where permitted by the Works Superintendent)
Watering of gardens, trees and shrubs (excluding watering of commercial agricultural products)	ONLY between the hours 7 pm - 10 am	ONLY between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	ONLY between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	Prohibited
	<i>Watering using drip irrigation*, a watering can, and or hand held hose, which eliminates over-spray is permitted at any time.</i>			
Pesticide or fertilizer application (using potable water with appropriate backflow prevention)	ONLY between the hours 7 pm - 10 am	ONLY between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	Prohibited	Prohibited
Wash down (sidewalks, walkways, driveways, exterior building surfaces, window, vehicles or other outdoor surface)	Permitted	ONLY between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	Prohibited (Except where critical for health and safety, & business operations)	Prohibited (Except where critical for health and safety)
Filling of fountains or other decorative features	Permitted	Prohibited (Except where permitted by the Works Superintendent)	Prohibited	Prohibited
Filling of outdoor hot tubs and/or wading pools.	Permitted	Permitted	Prohibited	Prohibited
Filling of swimming pools	ONLY between the hours 8 pm - 7 am	Prohibited (Except where permitted by the Works Superintendent)	Prohibited	Prohibited

**Drip irrigation delivers water to the root zone of the plants where individual emitters use less than 2 gallons per hours (7.6L/hr) at less than 20psi (140Kpa). This does not include soaker hoses or micro sprayers.*