



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

# Water Conservation Notice

Effective: July 29, 2020

## Stage 3 Water Conservation Measures in Effect for Riondel Water System

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The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) has implemented Stage 3 Water Conservation Measures for the Riondel Water System due to an extended power outage resulting in low reservoir levels.

### Stage 3 Water Conservation Measures include:

- **Watering of lawns is prohibited.**
- **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 is permitted at any time.**

The RDCK appreciate your cooperation in adhering to the above water conservation measures. Stage 3 Water Conservation 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.

For more information about water conservation including: information on xeriscaping (drought resistant landscaping) and the RDCK Water Conservation Measures table, please visit our website at [www.rdck.ca/water](http://www.rdck.ca/water), or contact the RDCK at 250-352-8192 or 1-800-268-7325 ext. 8192.

## RDCK Water Conservation Measures

Activity	Mandatory Restrictions			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
<b>Watering of lawns</b>	<b>ONLY</b> between the hours 7 pm - 10 am	<b>ONLY</b> between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	Prohibited	Prohibited
<b>Watering of new lawns</b> (seed within 45 days and sod within 21 days of installation)	<b>ONLY</b> between the hours 7 pm - 10 am	<b>ONLY</b> between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	<b>ONLY</b> between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	Prohibited (Except where permitted by the Works Superintendent)
<b>Watering of gardens, trees and shrubs</b> (excluding watering of commercial agricultural products)	<b>ONLY</b> between the hours 7 pm - 10 am	<b>ONLY</b> between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	<b>ONLY</b> 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>			
<b>Pesticide or fertilizer application</b> (using potable water with appropriate backflow prevention)	<b>ONLY</b> between the hours 7 pm - 10 am	<b>ONLY</b> between the hours 6 am – 10 am, and 8 pm – 10 pm	Prohibited	Prohibited
<b>Wash down</b> (sidewalks, walkways, driveways, exterior building surfaces, window, vehicles or other outdoor surface)	Permitted	<b>ONLY</b> 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)
<b>Filling of fountains or other decorative features</b>	Permitted	Prohibited (Except where permitted by the Works Superintendent)	Prohibited	Prohibited
<b>Filling of outdoor hot tubs and/or wading pools.</b>	Permitted	Permitted	Prohibited	Prohibited
<b>Filling of swimming pools</b>	<b>ONLY</b> 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.*