

Media Release

July 8, 2024 For immediate release

Stage 2 water conservation measures in effect for the Erickson Water System

Nelson, BC: Effective immediately, the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is implementing mandatory **Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures** in the Erickson Water System. The system is located just outside the eastern border of Creston, crossing the boundary of RDCK Electoral Areas B and C.

The **Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures** have been implemented due to increased demands and near-capacity water treatment plant production, with anticipated extreme hot/dry weather in the forecast.

Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures include:

- Watering of lawns, gardens, trees and shrubs using a sprinkler or irrigation system is **ONLY** permitted between 6:00 am 10:00 am and 8:00 pm 10:00 pm.
- Watering of gardens, trees and shrubs using a hand-held hose with a shut-off nozzle, a watering can, or drip-irrigation system is still permitted anytime.

The RDCK appreciates your cooperation in adhering to the above water conservation measures. **Stage 2 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.

<u>Click here</u> for a complete description of RDCK water conservation measures stages 1 through 4, or visit <u>www.rdck.ca/water</u>.

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 <u>www.rdck.ca</u>.

-30-

For further information, please contact:

Chris Gainham Utility Services Manager Regional District of Central Kootenay Tel: 250.551-7388 Email: <u>cgainham@rdck.bc.ca</u>

For media enquiries:

Dan Elliott Communications Coordinator Regional District of Central Kootenay Tel: 250.354.3476 Email: <u>delliott@rdck.bc.ca</u>