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2025 Spring Newsletter

- Summer excess rates increased in 2024. Please see Minutes from August and September 2023 as well as the new rates posted on our website.
- ❖ Excess water bills less than \$25 will automatically be placed on the assessment roll. If you wish to be notified and pay your balance before December 31st of the current year, please register for paperless billing through our website.
- ❖ Property, Apartment and Mobile Home Park Managers please make sure to forward this information to your tenants or refer them to our website where this newsletter will be posted.
- * Residential customers with sprinkler systems are required by state law to have a backflow device which must be tested annually. Proof of passing must be provided to our office no later than July 31st. You can be fined for noncompliance.
- ❖ Landowners are required to turn on/off their own separate irrigation meters if smaller than 3".

DOMESTIC METER READING AND IRRIGATION SEASON

The District will be reading meters starting on or about April 10th. If you have a large manual read meter, please remove any insulation from your meter box and clear away bushes, shrubs, etc. prior to the 10th. Residents in developed neighborhoods need not remove insulation as meters are read remotely. You should still check the meter box for any damage and ensure the insulation is serving its purpose.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

As required by the Washington State Department of Health, a report on your water quality is included. The District routinely samples for microbial contaminants such as coliform bacteria, E-Coli and fecal coliform. The District also samples for lead and copper, inorganic chemicals, and volatile organics every three years. Presently the District chlorinates the system south of the Spokane River. We continually monitor our system for all sources of contaminants and want to assure you the quality of our water is safe. We are committed to providing outstanding service to our customers. Please do your part and install proper backflow devices correctly when installing a sprinkler system. You may also notify the office if you notice any suspicious activity or have any water concerns.

WATER USE EFFICIENCY GOALS

Simple ways to curb water waste - see **spokanewateringnerds.org**: 1. Water lawns in early morning or late evening to reduce evaporation; 2. Use timers - see Rebates below; 3. Make sure you are watering the lawn and not the street; 4. **Skip a day - lawns only need water every 3-5 days**; and 5. Set your mower higher - longer grass blades hold more water and encourages deeper roots and a healthier lawn.

REBATES A VAILABLE

Partner with Consolidated Irrigation District to reduce water use by: Replacing toilets with water efficient toilets - 1 toilet per house \$50 rebate; Installing sprinkler rain sensors - 1 sensor per house \$25 rebate; Installing hose bib timers - 2 hose bib timers up to \$20 (receipts required).

SNOWBIRDS

The fee to turn off/on water meters due to vacancy in the winter will be at the current minimum service call rate. 10-day notice of departure and arrival dates is requested. Meters will not be turned back on without the presence of the occupant of the house.

DISTRICT BOARD MEETINGS

Board Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of each month with the exception of the December meeting which is held on the Monday following the 2nd Tuesday. All meetings are held at the District Office. If you have any questions regarding the operation or policies of the District feel free to contact our office Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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