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NORTH KOOTENAI WATER DISTRICT

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Notes From The Office:

Welcome Hayden Haven / Gem Shore Customers!

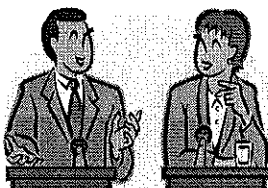
An Application for Service was mailed to you recently. If you have not already done so, please complete the application and return it to our office as soon as possible. If you can't locate it, you can print one from our website, www.nkwsd.com. Again, thank you & welcome.

Envelopes ~ Last month's blurb created a lot of confusion. To clarify:

ONLY black out the barcode if you are using the envelope for mail being sent **SOMEWHERE ELSE** (not to us).



Board Seats ~ Our Board of Directors is comprised of 5 officials elected by the District's constituents (you). Currently, there are two board seats that will expire in February 2009. A 3rd seat must also go through the election process in February 2009. This seat was filled by an appointed member when the seat was vacated early (previous member moved outside District boundaries) and must now go through an official election.



An **election** will be held on **February 3, 2009**, to fill these three board seats. If you would be interested in serving as a Director on the Board, and you reside within District boundaries, you may pick up a 'Declaration of Candidacy' form from our office or print one from our website: www.nkwsd.com.

The **cutoff** for District candidates to file their 'Declaration of Candidacy' with NKWD is Wednesday, **December 24th, 2008, at 12:00 noon**.



Conservation Plan Update:

In 2006 the District adopted a Conservation Plan. This plan was compiled by District staff and Welch Comer Engineering. Understanding that conservation is extremely important to saving money for the consumer, reducing operational costs for the District, and being environmentally responsible with a precious resource ~ the Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer, the following goals were established:

First goal: for the period of 2006-2013 achieve a total reduction of 25% in average daily demand.

Second goal: to reduce, or eliminate, the well source meter inaccuracies identified for the following water systems ~ Rimrock, Chilco, Atlas Acres, and East Season Acres.

Third goal: reduce line loss over the next 10 years in the 4 systems that have the largest lineal footage of pipelines ~ Hillside, Rimrock, Twin Lakes, and Chilco.

As a result of conservation efforts by you, the District has **already achieved** a reduction in average daily demand for the peak months (July through September) of **19%**. With everyone's help we'll obtain our goal of another 1.25% per year.

These conservation efforts include observing non-irrigation hours during the summer months (noon ~ 6:00 p.m.), installation of irrigation timers, rain sensors, soil moisture sensors, new dual selector flush toilets, and Xeriscaping. The rate structure that imposes a 4th tier rate that is higher in price for water volume in excess of 30,000 gallons also placed a monetary incentive to conserve.

The District's Board of Directors will review the progress of these three goals in November of 2009.

Future Projects:

North Kootenai Water District is meeting regularly with Lakes Highway District and Hayden Lake Recreational Water & Sewer District to work on joint planning projects. If one district is going to plan utility work in a particular area, the other affected District(s) could share the cost for any additional infrastructure improvements they may wish to do and also share the cost of road restoration.

