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NORTH KOOTENAI WATER DISTRICT

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Board Meetings ~ Meetings are held at our office on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 12:30 p.m.

From the Office:

January Billing ~ In an effort to reduce costs & reduce our time spent on billing we began 'Outsourcing' our statements in January. This means we 'create' the file that contains the information for your bill, but we send the file to a local printing firm where they print and mail the statements for us. After the bills were originally sent we were informed of a couple of errors that were not picked up in the 'test' run. Because one of these errors was significant (addressing) we decided it was best to send a second statement marked 'Corrected Bill'. We apologize for any confusion this generated and can assure you that the problem has been corrected.



Honeysuckle Hills LID Billing ~ The 2010 statements have been mailed to our Honeysuckle Hills customers. Payments are due by 03/20/10 to avoid a 2% late penalty.

From the Field:



Remember, you must call **811** before digging for any reason, at any depth, at least **48 hours** prior to digging.

Locates Are Free, Repairs Are Not!

Meter Reading ~ Reading of the meters will resume in March for many of our systems. Accounts that have been estimated through the winter will be adjusted based on the actual consumption recorded. Also, when the meters are read, the crew will paint the meter lids and trim any shrubs that obstruct access to the meter box.

Rimrock Outage ~ A break in the 12" water main on Lancaster Road occurred on February 4th. Our crews responded immediately and worked diligently through the day & evening to repair the line and restore service to our customers.

Hayden Pines/Grouse Meadows Outage ~ A loss of pressure occurred on February 4th due to a computer glitch; the computer locked up and had to be restarted.

Hayden Well #2 ~ The pump has been installed and the electrical is being finalized. This project should be wrapping up this month.

Walmart ~ The shutdown scheduled in January went very well and the project is moving along nicely.

Lancaster #4 ~ The well has been drilled and we are currently out to bid for the pump and piping.

Selkirk Meadows Pump House ~ This pump house is currently being remodeled and a new pump is being installed.

Conservation Update:

The Board of Directors is reviewing the final draft of the proposed Conservation Plan.

Spring is rapidly approaching! Did you know that a taller lawn shades roots and holds soil moisture better than if it is closely clipped? Consider adjusting your lawn mower to a higher setting.