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# **NORTH KOOTENAI WATER DISTRICT**

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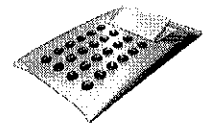
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**Board Meetings** ~ Meetings are held at our office on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 12:30 p.m.

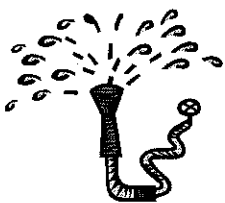
## ***From the Office:***

**Billing** ~ Every year your water consumption is estimated during the winter months, typically beginning in November. As of this billing all meters have now been read (some systems were read and adjusted last month).

We try to estimate based on historical usage, however we can never be exact thus resulting in adjustments. If your account was 'over' or 'under' estimated during the winter, an adjustment appeared on your bill in the month your adjustment was made, either last month or this month.



## ***Conservation Update:***



Use irrigation water wisely. As our days warm up, we all look forward to gardens, lawns, and plants. Irrigation water usage is substantially higher than domestic water consumption. It may not seem like you are using a lot of water on your lawn, but you are using many times over the domestic usage.

**Rain sensors** ~ Those of you with automatic sprinkler systems may want to consider a rain sensor. This device keeps your system from turning on during rainy periods. Our District Manager has one and says it works great!

The District is once again offering drought resistant wild flower seeds to our customers at no charge. Seed packets are available at the District office.



## Construction News:



**Avondale and Point Hayden Water Line Replacement Project** ~ Project bids were opened on April 14th. MDM Construction of Hayden is the low bidder. A total of 5 companies submitted bids on the project. The project will include replacement of the existing steel water main, new service laterals, new meter boxes and meters, and new fire hydrants.

**Hayden Well #2** ~ The mechanical and electrical work is now complete. Finish work on the grounds and fencing are all that remain to complete the project.

**GTE Improvements** ~ Work on the GTE well and booster pump improvements is moving along ahead of schedule. The new well house is built and the old booster pump system has been removed. New booster pumps and electrical controls are now being installed.

### Upcoming Projects ~

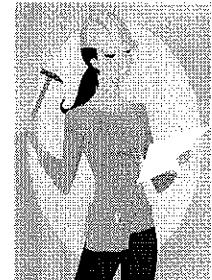
**Mountain View Terrace** ~ The looping of two dead end mains and the installation of 'end of the line' flush valves are scheduled to begin in late June.

**East Seasons Acres** ~ A new telemetry system will be installed later this summer for this system.

**Twin Lakes** ~ The old Echo Beach pump house will be replaced.

**Rimrock** ~ The Spring Rock Lane booster station improvements will increase pressures in the Avondale area as well as subdivisions along Lancaster Road.

**Other** ~ ITD is widening Hwy 95, from Wyoming to SH 53. A blank casing under Hwy 95 will be installed at Lancaster Road for a future water main installation.



## From the Field:

**Backflow Testing** ~ Springtime is backflow testing time. Each year those of us with sprinkler systems are required by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to have your backflow device tested by a state certified backflow tester. Those results are sent in by the tester on your behalf to the District. This is a state wide requirement. Protection of our public water system is everybody's job. Please, get your system tested!

**Digging** ~ Remember, you must **call 811** before digging for any reason, at any depth, at least 48 hours prior to digging. If you don't, and you hit a utility, you may be billed for the repairs!



**Locates Are Free, Repairs Are Not!**

