

NORTH KOOTENAI WATER & SEWER 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.

Conservation Tip:

Washing Your Car - Drive your car onto your lawn when you wash it by hand - you'll irrigate your lawn and get two jobs done at once.

Construction News:



Avondale Phase 2 - The District opened bids for the 2nd Phase of the Avondale water line replacement on May 26th. There were two bidders, and both were higher than anticipated. We had 7 contractors with plans, but only received two bids. There were a number of other projects bidding the same week and this may also have led to fewer bidders than expected. After looking at our



budget, the Board of Directors decided to reject both bids and to re-bid the project in early spring of 2012.

Avondale Phase 3 - Determination of ground water conditions in the area may cause a delay in putting this project out for public bidding. Since the project is smaller in scope, bidding in August with completion in mid-October is possible. Drier conditions? It may not happen this year.

Rimrock - With the cancellation of Avondale Phase 2, the District will break out the installation of the pressure reducing vault (PRV) at Wildflower and Rimrock Road. This project will be done in the next few weeks. Pressure zone changes can then take place. The northern sections of Avondale south of Lancaster Road and continuing south to the Wildflower/Brighton Court boundary will see increased water pressure. This is expected on or about July 2nd.

Highway 95/Chilco - The District has a water line on the east side of Hwy 95 that will require relocation due to the ITD construction project. Along with that project, a number of residents on the east side of the highway have asked to annex into the District and receive service. These new services would pay for the water line extension and the hookup costs to their respective properties. Idaho Forest Group and a number of residents on the west side of the highway have also expressed interest in possibly connecting to District water.

Chilco Booster Station Improvements - NKWSD will be improving the booster capacity on the Chilco Service Area. Funding for this project has come from developer contributions to the District, specifically for Chilco improvements.



Know what's below.
Call before you dig.

From the Field:

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!



Water System Rates:

System Access Fee\$15.75

Gallons	Cost
1—5000 gallons.....	\$1.15/1000
5,000—15,000	\$1.33/1000
15,000—30,000	\$1.51/1000
Over 30,000	\$2.30/1000

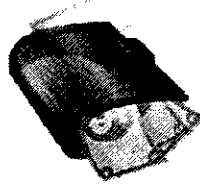
Gozzer Water Rates:

System Access Fee\$38.51

Gallons	Cost
1—15,000 gallons.....	\$1.70/1000
15,000—30,000	\$2.00/1000
Over 30,000	\$2.50/1000

Gozzer Sewer Rates:

Active\$41.00
 Inactive\$31.47



Keep Your Money In Your Wallet

If you're having trouble making your water payment, give the office a call before delinquency notices are sent out. We have several ways of helping and will work with those who are willing to work with us. Delinquency notices are yellow cards that are placed on customer's front doors. The cost of having these cards made up and delivered are great. These costs are transferred to you through the delinquent fees associated with these cards. If your water is shut-off, you will be charged at least \$75 to have the water restored. And the costs could be more. Call us before your account gets to this point and save yourself this money.

Checking for Leaks

If you are experiencing high water bills each month and are suspicious you may have a water leak in your pipes, there is a way to check. Make sure all water sources are off, i.e., dishwasher, clothes washer, faucets, toilets, etc. Go to your water meter box and check for movement. There are three things to check: 1) numbers that tumble (like an odometer on your car), 2) a hand that looks like a second hand on a clock, 3) a raised triangle or circle. Nothing should be moving. If any of these three indicators are moving, water is going somewhere and you should investigate the situation further. If you can't find anything on your own, you may want to hire a plumber. If you do find a leak and it is underground, call the office for a possible adjustment to your bill.

Drought Resistant Plants

Planting drought resistant plants and grasses is an excellent way to conserve water and lower your water bill. The internet is a good source of information on the types of plants that are drought resistant and hardy in our area. Just search for drought resistant plants in Idaho and several options will be given to you.

Office Hours

North Kootenai Water District's office is open
 Monday through Friday
 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 With the exception of Holidays and emergency situations.

DRIPPING FAUCETS



If your faucet is dripping you could be losing more water than you realize. See below for approximate usage:

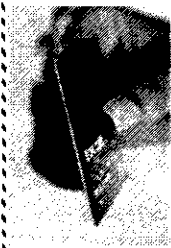
- 30 drops per minute = 54 gallons per month.
- 60 drops per minute = 113 gallons per month.
- 120 drops per minute = 237 gallons per month.
- 1/2" stream before starting to drip = 1014 gallons per month.
- 1 1/2" stream before starting to drip = 2200 gallons per month.

Backflow Information



If you haven't had your backflow prevention device tested. Please do it now! This needs to be done each year before you use your sprinkler system. Also note that there are other ways to back siphon bad water into your drinking water, for example, a hose connected to the hose bib of your house can create a backflow situation. For more information on backflow contamination, call our office and ask for a free brochure.

E-Bill and E-Pay Are On The Way!



Last month's newsletter stated we would soon be introducing e-Bill and e-Pay. This will allow you to receive and pay your bills online. The wheels are in motion and you will soon have the capability of logging onto our website and connecting to a secure site that will allow you to view your statements online and pay them online with an acceptable debit or credit card (Visa, Mastercard, American Express or Discover).

Safety Regulation

If you live next to one of our well houses, be aware that you are not permitted to use fertilizer or bug killer within 50 feet of the well house. This is an important part of keeping your drinking water safe.

Sorry We'll be
CLOSED

The office will be closed on
Monday, July 4th,
 in observance of
Independence Day.

