



Pictured above is Keenan Olenlager working on a valve replacement for a fire hydrant at Twin Lakes.

Conservation Tip

Apply mulch around shrubs and flower beds to reduce evaporation, promote plant growth and control weeds.

Consumer Confidence Reports

The 2020 Consumer Confidence (Water Quality) Reports for all District operated systems are available online at: <http://nkwsd.com/consumer-information/consumer-confidence-reports/>

Please email contactus@nkwsd.com or call the office to request a paper copy of the report.

Call 811 Before You Dig

April is Safe Digging Month. It is also time to begin those spring projects after the long winter. Whether you are planting trees, beginning a new garden, building a new deck or making a new sidewalk, digging can be dangerous if you do not know where your utility lines are.

Call 811 Before you dig at any depth, for any reason. *Locates are free. Repairs are not.*

Returning Snowbirds

Returning snowbirds, please, contact the office two work days before you want your water turned on. Without the 48-hour notice, you could be charged a \$50 service fee.

North Kootenai Water and Sewer District



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Conservation Rebate

Did you know that you can get a 75% rebate, up to \$75, for installing a rain sensor or soil moisture sensor on your sprinkler system. These devices sense when it is raining or when the soil is moist enough not to need additional watering. They will keep your sprinklers from coming on when they are not needed. This will save you money each month on your water bill. Plus, you will get a credit on your water account when you fill out the District's rebate form and send it in with your purchasing receipt and the UPC code from the box the device came in. The form can be found on our website at www.nkwsd.com. This is a one-time only rebate offer.

Backflow Testing

It is time for the annual testing of your backflow device(s). This is a device that is installed on underground sprinkler systems, swimming pools, saunas, automatic-fill water features, certain commercial sites, etc.

Backflow devices stop water from flowing backwards from your lawn, pool, spa, etc., into your drinking water. This can happen when the water system is down due to things like repairs and loss of power. Without a backflow device or if your device isn't working properly, substances on your lawn like fertilizer and animal feces can get into your drinking water.

The State of Idaho and North Kootenai Water District require your backflow device be tested each spring. Cold winter weather can cause these devices to freeze and break. The Spring annual test assures your device(s) is/are working properly when your sprinklers or pools are turned on for the year.

Please call your tester now to get scheduled. Your tester should send a copy to Aqua Backflow and make sure he/she gives you a copy, as well. Questions? Give Aqua Backflow a call at (847)-742-2296

This notice is not for all our customers. It pertains to those with underground sprinkler systems and other devices that use chemicals that could backflow into the drinking water.

Depressurization Events

Even well-designed and operated water systems may experience a pressure loss due to unforeseen circumstances such as power loss or water main break. During such periods, there is a potential for the water supply to be contaminated through backflow. We have done our best to minimize this risk through our cross-connection control program. Should pressure loss occur at a District system, we will update the District website at www.nkwsd.com with pertinent information regarding the location of the depressurization, steps District licensed operators are taking to restore pressure, results of follow-up sampling to the water supply once water pressure is restored, and preventative temporary measures you may choose to take. If you are responsible for providing oversight to multi-family residential or commercial complexes, please post this information in a public location.