



North Kootenai Water and Sewer



May 2022

Pictured Above

Not many District Managers have been willing to get their hands dirty like Jessie Camburn. He started in the field and never really left. That's him pictured above on the left. It's with a sad heart that we say he's leaving the District after 14 years of very valued service. To say he will be missed is an understatement. We wish Jessie the absolute best with all his future endeavors.

Water Conservation

Here are some tips to help with water conservation during the summer months.

1. Rather than following a set watering schedule, check for soil moisture two to three inches below surface before watering lawn.
2. Install a rain sensor on your irrigation controller so your system won't run when it's raining.
3. Grab a wrench and fix that leaky faucet. It's simple, inexpensive, and you can save 140 gallons a week.
4. Reduce the amount of lawn in your yard by planting shrubs and ground covers appropriate to this site and region.
5. Remember to check your sprinkler system valves periodically for leaks and keep the sprinkler heads in good shape.
6. Don't water your lawn on windy days when most of the water blows away or evaporates.

Xeriscape Your Lawn

Xeriscaping your lawn means you have decided to take out a large portion of grass and replace with decorative rocks, bark, mulch, and/or shrubs and plants that require little watering. The District offers a rebate of 75% of the cost up to \$75. To receive the rebate, you must xeriscape 50% of your current lawn. You will need to contact the District office for an inspection. Visit our website for rebate offers, and to learn more.

Checking for Water Leaks

If you receive a possible leak letter from us or you feel you may have a leak, here is a way to check. Turn all water off inside and outside of your home. Go to your water meterbox and lift the lid. The water meter should not have any moving parts. If it does, you have water going somewhere.

If you have a shut-off valve inside your home. Turn that to the off position. If the water meter stops, the leak is past that valve inside your home. If it continues to have movement, the leak is somewhere between your meter and that valve, probably outside your home.

It is a good idea to have the number of a plumber available for emergency water leaks.

Backflow Testing

Don't forget to get your tests turned in to aqua backflow. The State of Idaho and NKWSD require your backflow device be tested each spring.

**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.*

Watering Restrictions

The District restricts watering your lawn between noon and 6 p.m. Please water your lawn before or after the restricted time.

Call 811 Before You Dig

At any depth. For any reason. *Locates are free. Repairs are not.*

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday
6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

*We will be closed Monday, May 30th
in honor of Memorial Day*