

Hayden Lake Irrigation District



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Important Dates to Remember:

- July 31st 2nd Quarter water payment due
- August 5th Board Meeting at 6PM
- September 2nd Board Meeting at 6PM

New Project



The District broke ground on 9/16/13 to install new water mains on Wyoming, Reed and Miles.

This will provide increased reliability to the northern portion of the District and will allow for future abandonment of older existing water mains. The project has been completed.

We would like to thank all our customers affected by the project for your patience and understanding during the construction period.

Board of Director Position Open

Mr. Bert Rohrbach has served on the Board since 2002 and has decided not to run for re-election this year. Thank you Mr. Rohrbach for your service and dedication to the District.

The District will have an opening on the Board to fill. We are asking interested people to contact the District office to express your interest. If a member is interested in serving on the Board of Directors there are certain criteria and steps you must take.

- A Declaration of Candidacy form must be completed and turned into the office by September 25, 2014; you will need to obtain some signatures so please plan ahead. To be eligible for candidacy you must meet the following criteria:
 - Must be a resident of Kootenai County
 - Be an owner of land within the District for the 30 day period preceding the election
 - Be a qualified elector –qualified elector is defined as any person who is eighteen (18) years of age, is a United States citizen and who has resided in this state and in the county at least thirty (30) days preceding the next election at which he/she desires to vote, and who is registered as required by law.

If you are interested in becoming a Director please stop in or contact us at any time and we will be happy to discuss this with you.

Water Conservation

We are fortunate to have a high quality aquifer. However, the possibility of contamination and over-use increases as the population using the resource increases. With the wet spring this year we noticed many of our customers turned off their sprinklers or only watered as needed, decreasing the overall water use within the District, THANK-YOU. Based on weather predictions we are expecting a hot and dry July, August and September. With this in mind here are a few helpful tips:

When to water: watering in the morning and evening is most efficient. Watering in the heat of the day can cause evaporation rates of 50% or greater, that means half of the water you pay for is going into the sky. Watering during windy periods has the same effect.

How much to water: Many people over water lawns and landscape. Too much water will promote shallow root growth and may increase plant diseases. This will result in a weak plant, which can allow increased weeds and often results in application of more fertilizers and herbicides. Those end up in our aquifer. Established lawns should be able to sustain watering once every few days, and no lawn except a newly planted one, needs watering more than once per day.

However, if infrequent watering doesn't work, another option to try is set your sprinkler system to run a cycle at each station for 3-4 minutes, then wait about 30 minutes to an hour and run the cycle again. We have found some subdivisions have little to no topsoil or the ground is very rocky. Using this option allows the water to benefit the grass without increasing your overall watering time. One recommended application rate is 1" per week, including rain water. However this may result in excess water charges.

Please see our website for more tips on water conservation under Your Water - Conservation

Flushing the Water System

Protecting the public health is our first priority. Providing the highest water quality we can is how we achieve that priority. One of the ways we assure the highest water quality is to flush out the water system in areas of dead end water mains (pipeline). This may appear to be wasteful, however it is the best method of maintaining clean pipelines. Another maintenance operation is to open and close (exercise) the water main valves. Please be respectful of our staff when they are performing these operations. We do everything we can to perform these tasks safely. To help us, please don't drive through the water spraying from a fire hydrant when we are flushing and give our staff the room to do their work safely. Thank you!



Water Leaks

Our water meters have a leak detector. The leaks are recorded in our software and analyzed by our service techs. If we suspect there is a leak, we will communicate with you or place a notice on your door-knob. We have created a document to help you determine where your leak might be. This document is available at our office or on our web site under Your Water—Our Conservation Program at the bottom of the page. Customers have repaired several leaks over the last 6 months, thank you in helping to conserve water. Please remember all meters are the property of Hayden Lake Irrigation District and our responsibility only goes so far as the meter. Any leaks from the meter to the residence/business is the responsibility of the property owner. *We appreciate our customers attention to leaks and water use.*



**Know what's below.
Call before you dig.**

It is the responsibility of the person digging to call 811 to prevent damage to underground utilities and possible personal injury from damaging underground facilities. Remember to dial 811 or 800-428-4950 before digging **for any reason, at any depth**. One call notifies all local utility companies of your intent to dig.

Utility location service is free—repairs for damaged facilities or medical expenses are not. Please call 2-10 working days prior to excavation. Before you call, please have ready the following information: street address or legal description, contact person, phone number and what type of work is to be performed. For more information visit www.call811.com.

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Hours: M-F 7:30 am—4:00 pm

Information Updates

Please help us keep our records up-to-date by contacting Sherri with any mailing address or phone number changes. Changes can be called in to 208-772-2612 or emailed to district@haydenirrigation.com

Upcoming Billings:	Look for it:	Due Date:
3rd Qtr. 2014 Domestic	October 3	October 31
2015 Irrigation Assessment	November 2014	December 20
4th Qtr. 2014 Domestic	January 6	January 31

Email/Text Reminders

Don't forget about our Email & Text Message Reminder service available to all our customers. We send out a reminder email or text message when bills have been mailed, bills are approaching due date, second half irrigation assessment due and if there is a Water Alert. If you would like this reminder email or text message sent, please provide your service address, email address or if electing a text message your cell phone number and carrier. For example: district@haydenirrigation.com or 208-555-1234 with Verizon. Please contact us via our website or call us to be added to the list.

High Water Use



We read the meters at the end of each month and we analyze the data. We determine each month what we would consider high use based on the past usage on the property and/or the time of year. We will come out to the home and verify the read is correct, visually inspect the meter for any leaks and if the read is correct and there are no

leaks we will communicate with you or place a yellow notice on your door alerting you to the high use. We are not trying to tell you how to use your water, we only wish to make you aware of the potential excess water charges you may incur on your next bill.



How to Contact Us

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