

# NOTICE TO ALL NARAMATA IRRIGATION CUSTOMERS

### **IRRIGATION TURN-OFF**

# The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Utilities crew will commence fall irrigation turn-off the week of:

#### October 24, 2022

#### Please take whatever precautions necessary to winterize your private systems.

While this notice targets those with separate irrigation connections, it is also a great time for homeowners to check their <u>Pressure Reducing Valves (PRV's)</u> inside their homes and/or on their irrigation systems in high pressure areas. Check if they are working correctly and replace them as needed.

- PRV's help to protect plumbing fixtures from damage or breaks that may cause wasteful leaks.
- Signs of high pressure can be:
- $\Rightarrow$  banging heard in pipes (water hammer), or
- $\Rightarrow$  Water spitting out of faucets, warn washers, and intermittent toilet 'hiss'
- Life expectancy for PRV's = about 10 years

For <u>more information</u>, or to <u>request an alternate irrigation shut off date</u>, please contact the Utilities department at 250-490-4135 prior to **October 19**, **2022**.

For <u>after hours water emergencies</u>, please call Regional Dispatch at 250-490-4141 and they will contact the Utilities Standby Operators.

Thank you for your cooperation.

RDOS Utilities Department, October 7, 2022

Things to check *before* your system turned off for winter:

- Run each zone manually to make sure all leaks and devices are functioning properly
- Make a list of 'to -dos' before turn on; file forward for early next spring

The Benefits of Upgrading your Irrigation System:

- Prevention of overspray that can flood areas around your property
- Prevention of over or under watering
- Updated technology with irrigation controllers and phone APPS

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