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Kennewick Irrigation District Beginning Irrigation Season with Voluntary Schedule

Kennewick, WA – The Kennewick Irrigation District (KID) is urging customers to adopt the voluntary watering schedule as soon as water becomes available in response to worsening drought conditions across Washington State.

While a mandatory schedule may be inevitable, proactive water conservation efforts can help ensure irrigation availability for all throughout the entire season.

Working Together to Secure Our Water Supply:

By following a voluntary watering schedule, we can collectively reduce our overall water usage and ensure a reliable supply for all customers throughout the summer.

How a Voluntary Watering Schedule Helps:

During low water years, canals carry less water. If everyone waters their lawns at the same time, typically mornings, it creates a surge in demand that can quickly deplete canal levels. Spreading out watering helps maintain consistent pressure and ensures everyone has access to the water they need.

Voluntary Watering Schedule Implementation:

Similar to last year, the watering schedule is based off of the last digit of your property address. For example, if your address was 2015 S. Ely Street, you would have the opportunity to water 20 minutes per zone on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday morning.

Days of the Week	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
	4 5	0.4
Sunday	1,5	0,4
Monday	3,7,8	6,9
Tuesday	1,5	0,2
Wednesday	3,7	4,6,9
Thursday	5,8	0,2
Friday	1,3	4,6
Saturday	7,8	2,9

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Additional Ways to Conserve:

Utilizing a drip system and/or a hose off your irrigation valve are encouraged for use and are not affected by either schedule. Review our website at kid.org for more detailed information and water-saving tips.

Mandatory Schedule:

Due to low storage and reduced snowpack, a mandatory watering schedule this season is likely. Following and training your lawn to use the voluntary schedule early on will lessen the impact your lawn takes when restrictions become mandatory later this year.

Stay Informed:

KID will provide updates throughout the summer as the water situation evolves. We appreciate your cooperation in following the voluntary watering schedule and implementing water-saving practices.

ABOUT KENNEWICK IRRIGATION DISTRICT

The Kennewick Irrigation District will deliver irrigation water, protect water rights and enhance supply, as authorized by Washington State statutes and federal laws, for the maximum benefit of our community.

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