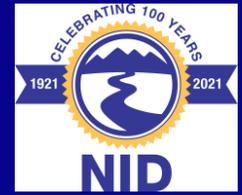


WaterWays

A newsletter for the customers of the Nevada Irrigation District



Summer 2021

Water conservation is needed to deal with drought

Conservation is key to protect our water supply, now and for the future. Our goal is a 20% savings by all customers.

Find out what you can do to save water. Whether you are new to conservation or already have made it a life-style, NID has practical information to help you hit the target.

Check out tips at [NID's Water Use Efficiency webpage](#).

OUTDOOR WATER USE

Typically, 40-50 percent of household water is used outdoors. By cutting back on water use, you can save time, effort and money while providing benefits to the natural environment. Here are some ideas:

- Conserve water use by planting drought tolerant or native plants. See the [list](#).
- [Landscaping tips for summer](#)
- [Summertime sprinkler checklist](#)



Scotts Flat Lake on July 1, 2021.

INDOOR WATER USE

Use less water with daily tasks. Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth; shorten your showers; and wash full loads in the washing machine.

Find out ways to reduce the amount of water you use in your home at [NID's Water Use Efficiency](#).

Water restrictions are in place

As a dry, hot summer is upon us and drought grips our community, there is the need to mandate water use restrictions.

This will help minimize water supply shortage impacts and protect public health, the District's Board of Directors determined during a July 1 special meeting.

Find out what it means for you on Page 2

How Much Water Do We Use?



Source: Water Research Foundation, Residential End Uses of Water, Version 2, 2016

Water-use restrictions: what does this mean for you?

On July 1, the NID Board of Directors passed a resolution to escalate the drought response and enhance conservation measures. This resolution mandates that customers reduce water use by 20% as compared to the same time period in 2020.

Drinking water customers

- Even numbered addresses only water outside Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Odd numbered Addresses only water outside Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
- No outside watering on Sunday
- Be sure to limit the amount of time per station to reduce water waste
- Please see the District's Rules and Regulations for mandatory outdoor water use restrictions for more information about water waste.

Added July 1, 2021

- Mandatory water use reduction of 20%.
- Implement drought pricing Stage 2 (25% increase to volumetric charge).

Read more at [nidwater.com drought information](http://nidwater.com/drought-information)

Irrigation water customers

- Voluntarily reduce your water purchase by emailing customerservice@nidwater.com
- Remember- reductions can only be made in 1/2 inch increments
- If you want your purchase to be restored when the WSCP is rescinded please indicate that in your email
- If you chose to make a voluntary reduction, your account will be credited appropriately.

Added July 1, 2021

- No new or increased water sales
- No fall water sales
- Limit winter water sales to existing customers
- Implement drought Stage 2 pricing (20% increase to volumetric charge)
- For customers using water for landscape: limit watering to every other day, max 3 days per week
- Even numbered addresses only water outside Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Odd numbered addresses only water outside Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
- No watering on Sunday.



Join NID and allow your lawn to go brown — Save water and save money!

We've done it before, we can do it again!

During the previous drought (2012-2016), our community worked together to save water.

Together we reduced water use by nearly 36 percent!

While many NID customers have continued to conserve water, this year we have seen water use start to increase.

Now is the time to embrace new approaches and technology. By working together, as a community to save water for future years!

NID welcomes new General Manager Jennifer Hanson

NID is pleased to announce and welcome Jennifer Hanson as the District's new General Manager.

She is NID's 15th General Manager and the first woman in that position during the District's 100-year history.

Hanson comes to NID from the City of Lincoln, where she served as its City Manager. During her tenure, she was responsible for the daily operations and for implementing the City Council's strategic priorities.

Prior to manager, she served as Lincoln's Public Works Director, overseeing the water, wastewater, solid waste, parks, recreation, airport, transit, facilities and fleet divisions.

"I'm excited to become a part of the NID team on its 100-year anniversary. I look forward to all our future accomplishments working together," Hanson says.

As NID's General Manager, Hanson will oversee more than 200 employees and an annual budget of about \$80 million.



Jennifer Hanson

NID NEWS BRIEFS

Need to pay a water bill?

Online bill pay

Click [here](#) to pay online with credit card or electronic check.

Phone system pay

Call 1-833-366-7104 to use our automated phone system to pay with a credit card.

Drop-off boxes

* NID Business Center, 1036 W. Main Street, Grass Valley – box by main entry

* NID North Auburn Water Treatment Plant, 12200 Locksley Lane, North Auburn – box outside the gate

* Safeway, 2550 Bell Rd., Auburn - box near the store entry

Keep track of NID reservoir levels

NID's watermaster posts updates of our local waterway levels on an hourly basis. You can see how water levels fluctuate in easy-to-read charts.

The District's River & Reservoir Data measures both capacity and elevation for different reservoirs, from the High Sierra Canyon Creek watershed (Bowman Lake and others) to the Deer Creek watershed (Scotts Flat Lake) and Bear River watershed (Rollins Lake).

It's all just a click away on the NID website under River & Reservoir Data.

Click [here](#) for direct access.



Scotts Flat Dam in late May 2021

We deliver water for fire safety

NID is working to protect our community against wildfire risks

Fire fuel reduction

More than 1,560 acres of District-owned lands have been cleared of hazardous trees and dense vegetation over the last five years.

In 2020, NID completed 470 acres of hazard tree removal and fire fuels treatment on District-owned lands. This was in collaboration with CAL FIRE and the Sierra Nevada Conservancy via their grant programs.

Through fire fuel reduction, NID has significantly improved forest health and reduced wildfire risk to forests and nearby residential areas.



Campfire restrictions in foothill campgrounds

Fire use restrictions went into effect on June 17 at all foothill recreational facilities owned and operated by NID.

Due to the drought, hot weather and dry conditions, campfires are prohibited in developed campgrounds around Scotts Flat Reservoir and Rollins Reservoir.

Under the rules, campfires and open fires fueled by wood or charcoal are prohibited. Portable cooking stoves and propane-fueled portable fire rings are permitted because fire levels can be monitored and maintained.

Fire hydrants

Fire hydrants provide an essential function in the maintenance of NID's water system and fire protection for our community.

The District has installed 2,586 fire hydrants in its boundaries, including 35 new hydrants in 2020. NID also works with local fire departments on hydrant placement to support their firefighting efforts.



Find the hydrant near you

Water to all of NID's hydrants is supplied by the treated water system. Where is the closest hydrant to you? Check out our locator map.

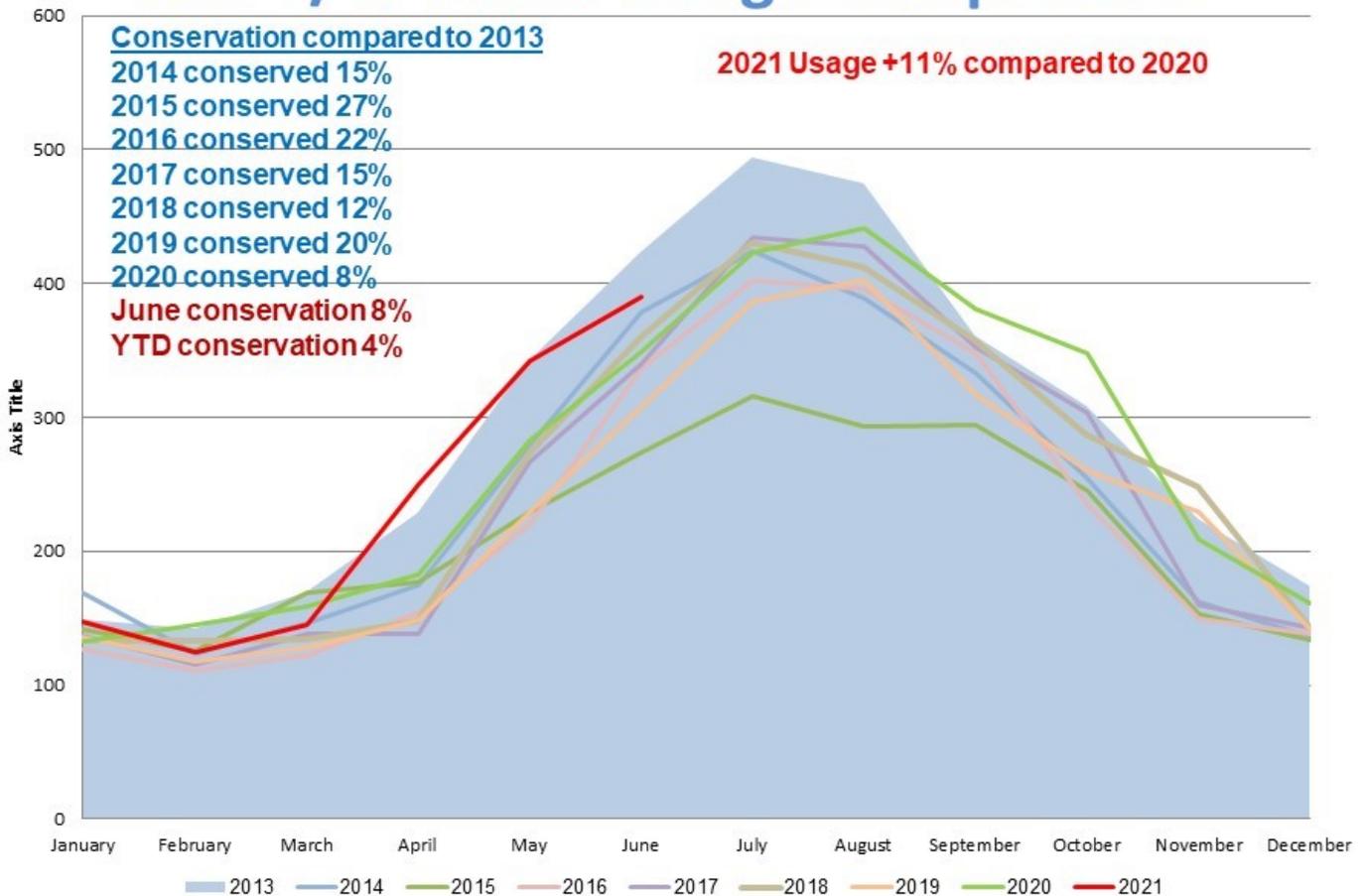
Click [here](#).

Conservation is vitally important as we face drought conditions

Since the last major drought in 2013, we've become more water efficient. But starting last year and into this year, conservation efforts have slipped. For the year, we've used only 4 percent less water than in 2013.

It's time to get back on track!

NID T/W Water Usage Comparison



Find out how much water you use, and learn how to reduce those gallons

[Measure Your Water Use Calculator](#) How much water does your household use to produce your food, electricity, gas and home goods?

Discover your water footprint. Click [here](#).



You can count on us to deliver the highest quality water, while caring for our environment and community.

Learn more about NID's commitments to supporting our community. Visit NIDwater.com.

NID turns 100

We are celebrating a milestone in 2021, as we enter our 100th year of operation.

Throughout the past century, we have grown and evolved as our neighborhoods and agricultural community.

We are so proud to have established ourselves as your trusted water district.

The technology has evolved since starting with flumes and canals built during the Gold Rush to deliver water to the mines.

But basically we have stuck to what has proved to be reliable – tapping the pure snowmelt of the high Sierra and channeling it to your homes, businesses, fields and farms.

Come Help us Celebrate at the Nevada County Fair

Visit our Fair Booth!



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