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From: Director of Engineering & Public Works
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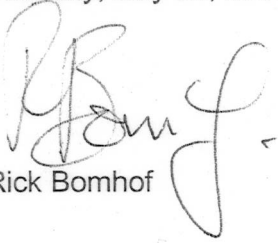
Subject: Increased Watering Restrictions

This memo is to inform Council that, due to the extreme hot weather, it has been necessary today to increase the Districts outdoor watering restrictions to the Stage 3 level which includes the following:

- Lawn sprinkling prohibited
- Hosing of outdoor surfaces prohibited
- Spring loaded shut off on all hoses
- Garden watering by handheld hose or container only
- Non-recirculating fountains turned off
- Pools/hot tubs filled only when required
- Curtail street flushing
- No hydrant use permits issued

Peak water flows have increased by 40 % over the past week which has resulted in difficulty keeping the regional MaClure Rd reservoir at an acceptable level. As all water consumption impacts the regional water flow volumes it is important that Mission residents do their part to conserve water so capacity levels remain safe.

The new restrictions are in effect immediately and residents will be advised through coordinated advertising with Abbotsford via radio, newspaper and internet. Staff will also issue a press release on Tuesday, July 28, 2009.


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