

Watering Restrictions

Effective **May 1, 2016** the Village will be implementing watering restrictions. Watering will be allowed as follows:

Stage 1 May 1—September 30

Even house numbers water on even days and odd house numbers water on odd days.

Residences with in ground sprinklers may water from midnight—6:00 am .

Residences that use hoses and sprinklers may water from 6:00 am—9:00 am and 8:00 pm—11:00 pm.

In the event of a power outage the Village automatically goes to a **Stage 4** which restricts all use of water except for emergency situations.

Should drought conditions occur the Village may move to a **Stage 2 or Stage 3** level however public notice will be provided.



Water Saving Tips

- * Do only full loads of laundry and dishes
- * Do look for leaky faucets and running toilets—a dripping faucet can waste 150 gallons of water/week
- * Do purchase water saving shower heads, aerators, hose nozzles and other efficient household items
- * Do remove weeds from your lawn as they compete with plants for nutrients and water
- * Don't leave the tap running while brushing your teeth
- * Don't overwater lawns and landscapes. Water during the early morning or evening and not during windy periods
- * Don't take long showers—keeping showers under 5 minutes can save up to 1,000 gallons of water per month.
- * Don't keep water conservation tips to yourself—share your ideas and successes with your friends and neighbours!

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Water Conservation Program

Our mission:

"To Increase Our Potential"



Water System

The Village of Ashcroft sources our water from the Thompson River. It is currently pumped into the system where it is treated with chlorine and then fed into the distribution lines.

The lack of a filtration system results in Water Quality Advisories being issued annually due to high turbidity levels.

Boil Water Notices are issued when turbidity reaches levels higher than 5.0.

Water Conservation

The Village of Ashcroft is currently designing a new water treatment plant. This plant will provide filtration and possibly UV treatment in addition to the current chlorine process. In order to ensure that we are designing the correct size of the plant we are analyzing water use and implementing water conservation measures. If Ashcroft residents can reduce their demand on the system by 10% during 2016 (compared to previous years) then the plant can be equipped to provide current levels. By using water carefully, yet still producing beautiful fruits, vegetables and lawns, we can reduce the capital costs of the water treatment plant.

Council will ensure that the building footprint will be designed to accommodate growth as required.

Water Consumption

Ashcroft residents use a tremendous amount of water each year and while we do live in a desert environment we still can take steps to reduce our consumption. The average Canadian uses 270 liters of water per day, the average British Columbian uses 350 liters of water each day and the average Ashcroft resident uses 1,831 liters per day.

By making wise choices we can reduce this amount which will reduce the cost to build the new treatment plant, reduce operating costs and increase the life of our equipment.

