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***A Message from the Directors***

Beginning in January 2023, the District will implement a new rate schedule for annual assessments as the District is becoming more urban. The District is excited to move forward with our 10-year Capital Improvement Plan that will address our aging infrastructure and modernize our equipment. These capital improvements will save water, improve service, and help with ongoing drought conditions. *Patrons will notice a small Capital Improvement Charge based on the capital Improvements to be done during the fiscal year.*

**Board of Directors Election Information**

Pursuant to RCW Title 87 the annual election will be held the second Tuesday in December for Divisions 2 & 3. Petitions for nomination are due the first Monday in November at the District Office. Terms are for three years, beginning January 2023. If you are 18 years old, a U.S. Citizen, a resident of the state and hold title or evidence of title to lands within the District, you qualify as an elector and may participate in District elections. Qualified electors may run for election as a Director for their respective division within the District. Information on elections and other legal notices are advertised in the Tri-City Herald.

**Impediments To District Rights-of-Way**

The District would like to make our patrons aware that we will be protecting the canal Right-of-Way from encroachments. If you have anything impeding on the Right-of-Way, you may be asked to either remove the impediment or apply for a Right-of-Way permit, subject to Board approval.

**District Board Meetings**

*Meetings will be held on the first and third Friday of every month.  
The public is welcome to attend.*

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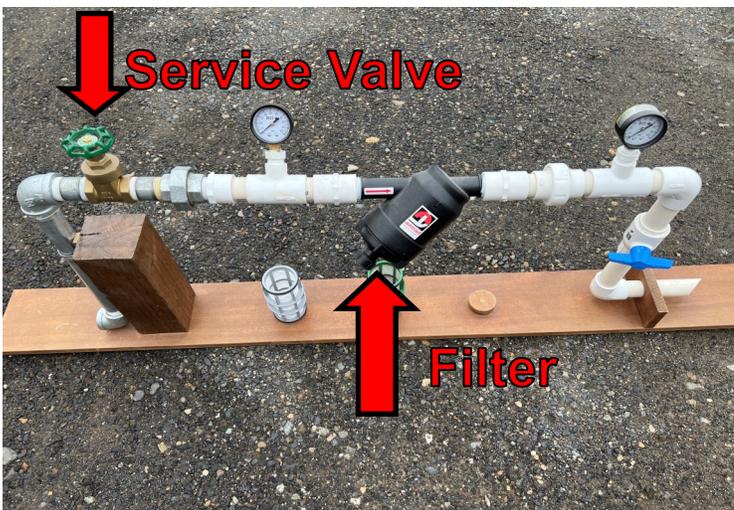


## Capital Improvement/Canal Lining

In the off-season of 2018, the District was awarded its first of two 50/50 cost-share grants for canal lining. Since then, the District has installed 5,700 feet of concrete and/or membrane liner in the canals. In early 2022, the District purchased its own shotcrete machine to continue lining our canals at as low a cost as possible to our patrons. Within two months, operations staff lined 15,800 sq. ft. of canal. The District will continue to shotcrete our canals every off-season. Using the District's own machine, we can apply lining for about a third of the cost of hiring a contractor.

## Capital Improvements/Automated Gates

In the off-season of 2018, the District installed its first Rubicon gate. There are now six operating gates. The District has been successful in pursuing federal grant funds for these gates to help keep costs down. The District will be installing four additional Rubicon gates this off-season, funded by a 50/50 cost-share grant. The District plans to install more gates throughout the canal system and has submitted grant applications for these future projects. The installation of automated gates allows the District to operate the canal at more accurate levels and with more efficiency.



## Know the system

The District maintains the underground infrastructure up to and including the service valve. Everything after the valve is the patron's private system and responsibility. If you are experiencing no water or low pressure, please check your valve to make sure it is fully open. Remove your filter from the housing and clean the filter to avoid a service charge.

## Water Consumption and Control

***With increased development and continued drought risk, it is more important than ever to be mindful of water usage. Please contain water to your property, design/adjust system components to use only the amount of water necessary for your plant growth and replace worn or broken parts. The greatest benefit to the District as a whole is to minimize how much of your property you are watering at once.***