



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Establishment of Water Conservation Code in the City of Banks

At the November 13, 2018 City Council Meeting, the Banks City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2018-10-01 adopting new water conservation requirements in the City of Banks. This ordinance is designed to help maintain the sustainable use of limited groundwater resources from the City's two wells during the summer season. As a permit condition of its two groundwater rights the City is required to maintain groundwater levels within a specified range from year to year. Commitment to conservation under this ordinance is one step the City is taking to improve the overall water savings across the City and protect our limited groundwater resources.

This Ordinance went into effect on January 11, 2019.

Irrigation Season – applies to all lawn and landscaping on any property within the City.

- **Irrigation Season in the City of Banks is May 1st through September 30th of each year.**
 - Lawn or landscape irrigation is prohibited outside of irrigation season.
 - Properties with even-ending addresses shall irrigate only on even number days, and properties with odd-ending addresses shall irrigate only on odd number days.
 - All irrigation is prohibited on the 31st day of every month.
- **Irrigation Regulations – During the irrigation season the City Manager is authorized to impose the following additional irrigation and watering restrictions when warranted:**
 - Irrigation of lawns and landscaping may be prohibited between the hours of 11:00 am and 4:00 pm for metered and unmetered users.
 - Manually operated irrigation may be prohibited between the hours of 11:00 pm and 4:00 am.
 - Variances may be granted for the establishment and development of new lawns. Applications for these variances shall be made on forms provided at City Hall and are subject to approval by the City Manager.
- **Irrigation Prohibitions – The following prohibitions apply generally to all otherwise permissible irrigation, even during the irrigation season:**
 - No person shall use a hose for irrigation unless the hose is under direct control of the person, or a sprinkler or other water distribution device is attached to the hose.
 - No person shall use water for irrigation at any hour except as listed under Irrigation Regulations.
 - No person shall allow excessive water to flow into or upon a driveway, public street, sidewalk or off of the person's property.

To view the complete ordinance, please visit the City of Banks Website at www.cityofbanks.org .

Questions? Please contact the City of Banks at 503-324-5112.