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Public Works News Release

It's Hot – Save Water

The late spring days are hot and it's getting hotter. It is time to water plants and lawns in earnest, but it is also time to conserve water.

Water is expensive to provide. Every drop of water wasted in Bishop makes it harder to keep the cost of water down. In hot weather it is really important that water is not wasted and that lawns and landscaping are properly irrigated. Proper irrigation includes not watering too much but also watering at the right time of day – not when it's hot – and not too often. Planting less thirsty varieties of lawns and plants can also significantly reduce the amount of irrigation water needed.

Not only should we conserve water for our own reasons but the Governor is watching. Earlier this month Governor Schwarzenegger issued a proclamation about the current drought conditions in the state and measures to address it including conservation and the possibility of drought states of emergencies (press release at <http://gov.ca.gov/press-release/9852/>). Although Bishop is unique in that we live in the source of water for a large portion of the state's population, the Governor's proclamation still applies here.

Please conserve. It is the right thing to do.

Contact the City of Bishop Public Works at 873-8458 for more information on water conservation and the City's water system.