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LEAK CHECKS

Each week after reading meters, we conduct Leak Checks. Leak Checks are a special courtesy we provide our customers if we notice high or unusual usage. At this time, if we contact you about high usage, it is not because of drought restrictions.

If we contact you because the Distribution Operator noticed a leak, that means we noticed high usage AND your meter is spinning. If the meter spins, water is passing through.

To check for a leak, first make sure you're not using any water. Turn off the washing machine or the dishwasher, and any irrigation system. Check your plumbing fixtures and exposed pipes. Listen for the sound of running water. Many leaks can be detected by sound as well as by sight.

Toilet leaks are often the hardest to detect because they are often intermittent. You can check your toilet at home by conducting a test with food dye. Put the dye in the tank and watch for its appearance in the bowl. If there is a leak, color will appear within 15-30 minutes. This test should also be repeated intermittently.

Check your yard for wet or noticeably greener spots of grass, which could indicate a sprinkler in need of repair or a leaking underground pipe. And most importantly, check to make sure all you did not forget to turn off your garden hose!
The author of this newsletter may or may not be guilty of this.

And lastly, contact a plumber or a leak detection agency. While we cannot make local recommendations for either, you may contact us to turn off your water at the main at no additional cost.

GOOD NEWS !

The PUD is finalizing a loan and a grant from Business Oregon. Both the loan and grant are for \$225,000. The funds will be used to jump start the bolt replacement project.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be September 21, 2022
at 10am.