

## IRRIGATION TIP SHEET

The Town of Encampment has decided that it would be helpful to provide some tips on the irrigation system, especially for all the new residents. The irrigation system can be unreliable at times, especially during the first few weeks, please be patient, we correct problems as quickly as we can, but there are many variables such as parts availability. The Town of Encampment has a great privilege in being able to provide this low cost system to its residents. Please water responsibly; having this system is considered a privilege, not a right. That being said, in years of drought, the potential exists that the system would have to be shut down during that time. We have reconstructed the structure coming from the irrigation pond, also installing new screens to help prevent plugging of the system. This will not completely eliminate small debris that will plug sprinklers. We encourage the use of inline filters, but they must be cleaned regularly and are the responsibility of the property owner.

- Please be considerate of your neighbors; there are a limited number of irrigation spigots. The system was designed to allow for one spigot per household.
- Anything past the spigot is the property owner's responsibility. We are not responsible for additional filters, fittings, poly pipe, spigots, etc.
- If you are having lower than normal water pressure problems, please check your spigot in the alley before reporting a problem, as the problem often occurs in the sprinkler or hose itself.
- Leaking spigots; we have several reports of this all the time. Most of these spigots tend to drip. If the spigot is actually running, please report it, but for drips, we recommend putting a hose on it and letting it drip into the grass/trees. To replace one spigot requires an entire system shutdown. Please report problem spigots to a member of Public Works or to Town Hall so they can be added to the replacement list in the fall once the system has been drained.
- Please be cautious when pulling hoses, mowing, etc. Though the standpipes are secured to metal posts, they will break off very easily at the plastic fitting underground. This requires a system shutdown, and then 24 hours after the repair has been made before the system can be put back into service.
- If you find that your hose has been disconnected from the spigot, it likely is an indication that we have removed it due to water running in the street. You will be subject to a fine if becomes a common occurrence. Please be responsible with one of our most precious resources.

Please report problems and concerns by calling the Town Hall at 307-327-5501. Cell phone numbers are provided on the voicemail for emergencies after hours. Emergencies are considered to be things like major leaks. Plugs and other minor issues like low pressure will NOT be addressed after hours.