

WESTERN IRRIGATION DISTRICT

August 2nd, 2023

City of Chestermere 105 Marina Drive Chestermere, AB T1X 1V7

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Attention: City Directors (CAO)

Re: Follow-up Communication to the July 26, 2023 Notice Letter;

14 Day Notice for the Potential Drawdown of Chestermere Reservoir

Further to our letter dated July 26, 2023, the Western Irrigation District (WID) is writing to confirm that we continue to experience severe drought conditions and restrict the use of water by our stakeholders and irrigators. The Bow River continues to be at low flow stage and the WID is still restricted to a minimum diversion volume rate from the Bow River, as per Government of Alberta regulations. The WID is relying on drawing water from our storage reservoirs to meet our statutory obligations.

While the Langdon Reservoir supply continues to be depleted, the WID has revised our overall water supply outlook. The WID is providing the City of Chestermere with a revised 7 days' notice before the potential drawdown of Chestermere Reservoir. Commencing no earlier than August 10, the WID estimates to draw no more than 12 inches from Chestermere Reservoir (per section 3.1.1 and 3.1.4 from Schedule B of the amended Use of Works Agreement).

As evidenced by the original 14 days of notice, efforts by the WID, our stakeholders, and our irrigators are being taken and will continue to be taken to mitigate the impact on the water levels of Chestermere Reservoir. The WID will continue to monitor the situation daily and make adjustments to avoid a significant drawdown with the aim of maintaining as much water in the reservoir as possible. The WID will continue to keep the City apprised of the situation. Please take the necessary steps to inform users, and to protect life & property.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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