



# WESTERN IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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March 27, 2024

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

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Attention: Chief Administrative Officer

**Re: 2024 Reservoir Operations**

The Western Irrigation District (WID) is writing to inform you, in accordance with the existing use of works agreement between the WID and the City of Chestermere, of our intention to operate the Chestermere Reservoir (Lake) under drought conditions during the upcoming irrigation season.

As outlined in our agreement, the operating irrigation season level ranges between 1025.5 and 1025.6 meters above sea level. However, due to the ongoing drought and warnings issued by the Government of Alberta, we find it necessary to vary from the operating level, per clause 3 *Variance from Operation Level* of Schedule B of the Use of Works agreement. Therefore, we anticipate the water level to fluctuate outside the typical operating range mentioned above.

This decision is not taken lightly and is made in response to the critical, uncontrolled circumstances imposed by the impending drought. It is imperative for the Western Irrigation District to ensure that we meet our statutory duties, particularly considering the current water situation.

We understand the implications this may have for various stakeholders, including the City of Chestermere, and we are providing early notification to allow as much time as possible for you to communicate with your stakeholders. We assure you that our actions are aimed at ensuring the sustainability of water resources and fulfilling our obligations to the best of our ability, for all parties involved.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Western Irrigation District

Troy Tangedal  
General Manager