

NEWSLETTER

Asset Refurbishment Program

Pump sheds at the Kerikeri Road/State Highway 10 intersection, 2568 State Highway 10 and Onekura Road have been completely refurbished. New pumps/motors have been installed. The new electrical fit out means the buildings now meet all modern compliance standards.

Refurbishment of the Manuwai Turbine and pump shed and associated pipe work and electrical work is a major undertaking. A plan is yet to be developed to minimize water outage but some interruption to supply can be expected. Connections in the Northern part of the scheme will be kept informed.

Planning and design is being carried out to enable the replacement of 1.8 kilometers of original 600mm diameter AC pipe from the Southern dam to Waimate North Road. Work is scheduled to begin in April 2022.

Smart Meters and Excess Water Monitoring

So far approximately 130 of our 300 commercial customers have had a new smart meter installed. These have a battery life of approximately 15 years. They can be programmed to record actual flow of litres per minute plus other information. All smart meters will again be monitored to ensure a property is not drawing in excess of its allocated flow. Your Directors have decided that corrective action will be taken with any connection drawing in excess of its allocated flow rate. To date first infringements = 26, second infringements = 13, third infringements = 02.

Charges Applying From 1 June 2021 to 31 May 2022 (excl. GST)

COMMERCIAL	\$	NON-COMMERCIAL	\$
Annual water meter charge	233	Annual allowance for 500,000 Litres	556
Annual charge per irrigable hectare	254	Excess usage over allocation/m ³	52 cents
Per m ³ water used	5.3 cents		
Per m ³ allocated but not used	1.7 cents		
Excess usage over allocation/m ³	52 cents		

Invoice Dates

Kerikeri Irrigation Co invoices are sent on 30th September each year for payment due 20th October. This invoice covers the full years **fixed charges** for all **non-commercial** and **commercial** customers. A year covers from 1 June to 31 May the following year. **Commercial** customers will receive another invoice on 31 May each year for actual water used, any reserved but unused allocation and any excess water use charges that may apply, **Non-commercial** customers will only receive an additional invoice on 31 May if they have used water in excess of their annual allocation of 500,000 litres during the year. A monthly statement will be sent to all customers who have a balance owing regardless of whether they are on a regular payment plan or not. If you have agreed on a payment plan with the Company, please ensure your regular payments will see the annual fees paid in full within the year they are due.

Cheques are no longer able to be accepted as payment.

Email Notifications

If you received this newsletter in the post, please provide an email address to the office if you have one so we can inform you when there is a water outage on the pipe line and keep you updated on repairs.

REMEMBER..... The water supplied is for irrigation use only. It is untreated and not intended or fit for domestic use.

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