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# MEDIA RELEASE

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### Stage 1 Water Restrictions for Greater Vernon

Stage 1 Water Use Restrictions are now in effect Greater Vernon Water (GVW) customers. This includes properties within the:

- City of Vernon
- District of Coldstream
- Portions of Electoral Areas 'B', 'C', and 'D' as well as Spallumcheen

Under Stage 1, we are asking all customers to reduce water use by 10% or more. By being waterwise now and making small adjustments, such as only watering twice a week or cutting back your irrigation run time by 10%, we can help to safeguard that we will have enough water for our summer water demands and help keep enough water for fish and fighting wildfires.

Most lawns only need water **once per week** to remain healthy. Lawns naturally brown and go dormant with minimal water when it is hot – this is okay and the lawn will green up when the weather cools.

The Restrictions Bylaw gives customers options for which day (or days) they choose to water:

- **Tuesday, Thursday, and/or Saturday** if their property has an **ODD ADDRESS NUMBER**
- **Wednesday, Friday, and/or Sunday** if their property has an **EVEN ADDRESS NUMBER**
- **NO YARD/GARDEN WATERING ON MONDAYS**
- **NO YARD/GARDEN WATERING BETWEEN 10AM AND 7PM ANY DAY**  
(including drip irrigation)

The restrictions apply to all domestic customers – residential, commercial, and industrial. Customers using a watering can or hose with spring-loaded nozzle may hand water anytime.

Agricultural customers may continue to water within their allocation to maintain the health of their crops but are being asked to conserve wherever possible by monitoring for leaks and reducing watering during the heat of the day if possible. They must also adhere to the Maximum Flow Rate (0.78 liters per second per hectare of allocation). When customers exceed their flow rate, it can cause their neighbours to lose water pressure. Efforts made now will help ensure we have sufficient water to meet crop needs through to the fall.

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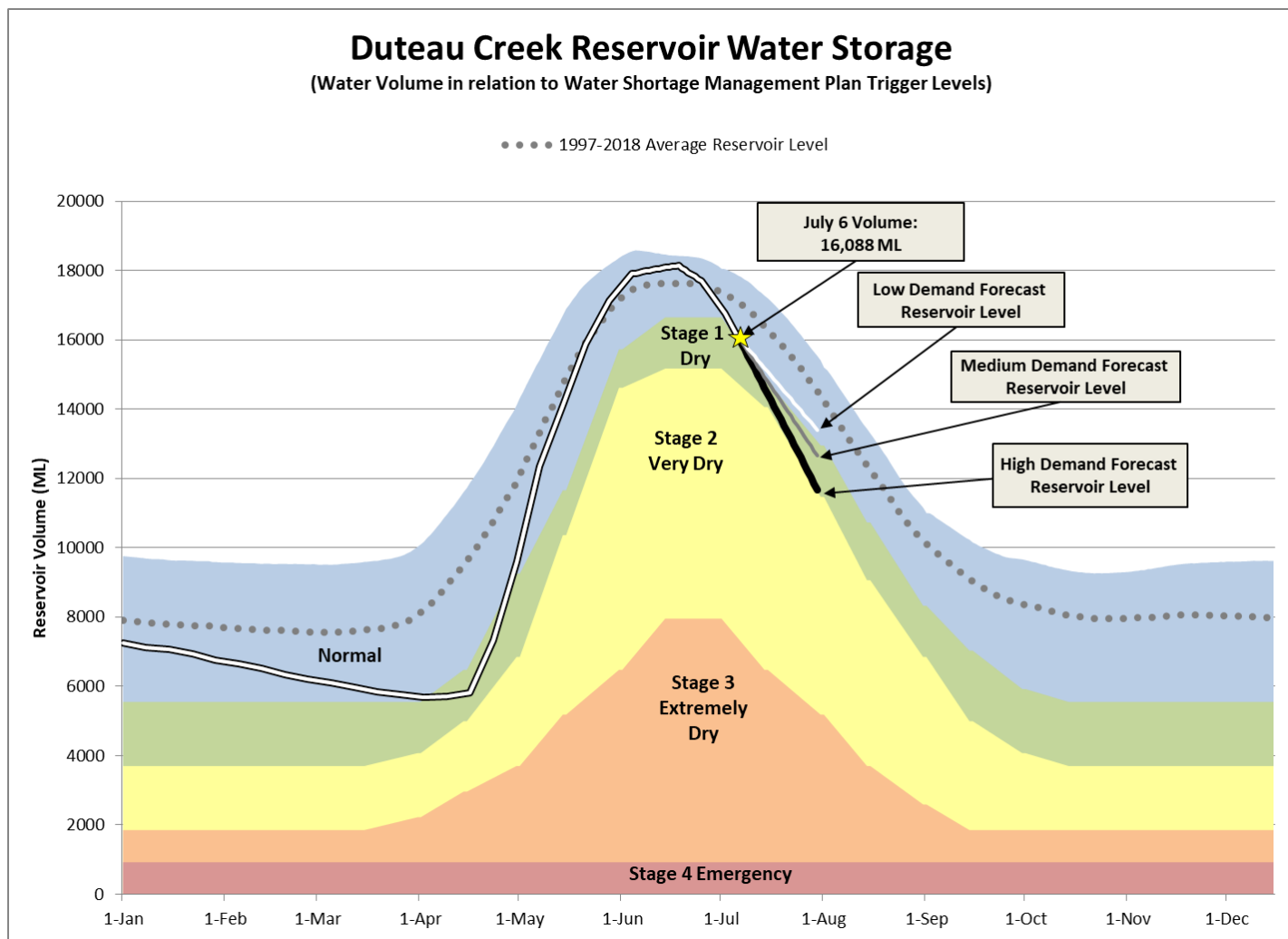
MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES:  
CITY OF ARMSTRONG  
DISTRICT OF COLDSTREAM  
CITY OF ENDERBY

VILLAGE OF LUMBY  
TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN  
CITY OF VERNON

ELECTORAL AREAS:  
"B" – SWAN LAKE  
"C" – B.X. DISTRICT  
"D" – LUMBY (RURAL)

"E" – CHERRYVILLE  
"F" – ENDERBY (RURAL)

For further information, please call 250-550-3700.



**Graph Notes:**

- Star indicates the current water storage level in the combined Haddo, Grizzly, and Aberdeen Reservoirs that compose the Duteau Creek Reservoir System.
- Each solid line (black, gray, and white) represents the possible rate of drawdown depending on whether water use in July is at a high, medium, or low demand rate. The dotted line represents average storage levels.

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