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From your Chairman...

Hello Everyone

Wow! Another year under our belt! Adam’s crew started in mid-April to prepare for the Water turning on May 1st. We had a great start to the season with minimal issues. The New WSA Substation was completed, energized and ready for the season. WSA did some early testing running all 4 pumps without a hitch! It has been so nice to be able to run 4 pumps at once, and, with the work WSA completed around Broderick Reservoir with the rip rap upgrades, we can store substantially more water now. We used a bit less water this year, because, again, mother nature gave us some timely rains which makes such a huge difference when that happens.

At the AGM we announced that we had hired a contractor to start cleaning drains. While we didn’t get started on time because of a critical piece for the contractor not arriving on time, they did finally get going mid-June and completed around 60 Kilometers. I am sure most of you have seen some of the work and wow what a difference this has made.

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Chairman Report Con't...

The Board Members met in Saskatoon on Dec 1st with Shawn Jaques President and CEO of WSA, David Cooper VP Agriculture Services WSA, Thon Phommavong, VP Science & Licensing, WSA, Leah Clark, Executive Director Irrigation and Economic Development, WSA, Kelsey Schmidt, Manager Conveyance, WSA, Penny McCall, Assistant Deputy Minister of Ag, Jason Drury, Director Irrigation MOA, Stephanie Gross, Manager, Engineering Services MOA, David Bagshaw Chair of Irrigation Saskatchewan, Ryan Husband Executive Director, Irrigation Saskatchewan and Krystine Magel who was keeping track of our meeting. We had a great session discussing the events over the past year and what to expect in the upcoming season. The Board Members then had an ESPS & M1 Season Debrief meeting with WSA and MOA down at Cutbank on Dec 10th.

I want to thank everyone at Water Security Agency and the Ministry of Agriculture for all their effort & commitment in making our District a success. It is truly a team effort and without the 3 teams working together in tandem, irrigation in our District would not have such a great outcome!

James Verwimp and myself were up for re-election this past year and we let our names stand for another 3 years. I want to thank James for his commitment to the District as well as, all of the Board Members! We have a great team and work well together. I, also want to thank Krystine, as she continues to have such a positive impact in our District. Shout out to Adam and his team, as well, thank you Guys!

From Our Staff & Board of Directors
Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!

Steve Primrose
Chairman
SSRID No.1 Inc.



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HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

DECEMBER 16-23 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
DECEMBER 24 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
DECEMBER 25, 26 CLOSED
DECEMBER 29-30 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
DECEMBER 31 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
JANUARY 1 CLOSED



WATER ORDERS

Our website www.ssridd.com will continue to support the submission of multiple turn on/off requests in a given area (South, Central, or North), at the same time, for the 2025 season. This method of ordering has proven to be the most efficient for irrigators and District staff.

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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

ALL INVOICES ARE DUE DECEMBER 31st

DISTRICT FINANCES

A friendly reminder to all irrigators that, per District bylaws, all base rates and water delivery fees are to be paid to the District by December 31st of each year. Any accounts left unpaid after December 31st are subject to interest at a rate of 2% per month until the entirety of the arrears have been paid. Invoices for custom work are due within thirty (30) days of the date first noted on the invoice for said custom work.

In addition, any irrigator with an account left unpaid after January 31st shall be charged the upcoming season's base rates, which must be paid (in addition to all arrears) in advance of any water being turned on for that irrigator.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

The SSRID office has the ability to accept various methods of payment options. A payment receipt will be issued once the payment has been received.

- **Cheque** - bring in your cheque during business hours or sent in the mail.
- **Online banking** - South Saskatchewan Irrigation District No. 1 set up as a payee.
- **Etransfer** - email to ssrid1@sasktel.net

Please reach out to Krystine directly at (306) 867 9923 to discuss these secure & efficient means of payment.

NOTIFICATIONS

We provide notifications of significant items via text messages and email. Please ensure that we have accurate contact information for you.

OUR MISSION

To be a leader in Saskatchewan irrigation and foster growth, efficiency, prosperity & sustainability in our district.

OUR VISION

- Strive to convey the cleanest water possible at a fair price.
- Establish positive relationships with district consumers, governments, and the broader community.
- Secure a shared revenue-stream from local, provincial, and federal sources, to enhance the viability & longevity of the district.
- Increase irrigable acres in our district by 20,000 before the year 2030.
- Replace failing canals with pipelines, wherever feasible.
- Rely on local personnel, businesses, and manufacturing, wherever feasible, to fulfill the operations & maintenance obligations of the district.

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