

North Central Rural Water Consortium

Central Plains Water District – North Prairie Rural Water District

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Lots and Lots of Projects!

IMPORTANT

If you are interested in receiving NCRWC water and have not completed your paperwork or sent in your sign-up fees (\$75 and \$525), please contact our office immediately.

Failure to do so could result in much higher sign-up fees and/or the inability to receive water at a later date.

877-410-0760

Calendar of Events

Office Closed
Good Friday April 10

NCRWC II
Board Meeting
Minot, ND April 14

NCRWC II
Board Meeting
Harvey, ND May 12

Office Closed
Memorial Day May 25

NCRWC II
Board Meeting
Minot, ND June 9

Office Closed
Independence
Day July 3

NCRWC II
Board Meeting
Harvey, ND July 14

Projects in Construction

REAP Zone—Service Area: Southern Benson and Northern Wells Counties

This project will supply drinking water to the Community of Esmond and 225 rural users. It was bid August 19, 2008 and the NCRWC board accepted the low bid from Abbott, Arne, Schwindt, Inc. Moorhead, MN, in the amount of \$3.3 million. Abbott, Arne, Schwindt installed over 18 miles of four and six inch pipe before wet conditions south of Maddock forced suspension of construction.

We had hoped to complete the pipeline from the Central Plains Water District connection to Esmond in 2008, but a gap of six miles remained when construction was suspended.

Prior to suspending work, Abbot was averaging over two miles a day installing four inch pipe with the plow train and 2500 feet a day of six inch pipe with backhoes. The largest pipe that can be installed by plow train is four inch.

This leaves two miles of six inch and 120 miles of two, three and four inch main to be installed this upcoming construction season. The contractor is expected to

begin again as soon as the weather permits and road restrictions are lifted.

Projects to be Bid Soon

All of the following projects are waiting for the finalization of the loan portion of our funding from USDA. This funding had been delayed since October 2008 and is part of the Omnibus Bill which was signed by President Obama last week, therefore, our USDA loans should be finalized soon.

Radar Hill—Service Area: Southern Ward County

This project is centered on the Radar Base south of Minot, primarily serving the area between Highways 83 and 52, however; it does extend a bit further westward and includes Rice Lake. This project is de-

signed and is expected to be bid soon with construction completed yet this year.

Benson County Phase II—Service Area: Southern Benson, Pierce, and Northern Eddy Counties

This project has been designed and grant funding has been approved by the State MR&I program. This project includes rural areas from New Rockford to Minnewaukan and portions of western Benson and Pierce counties. We expect this project to go to bid this summer with construction completed in 2010.

Benedict Project—Service Area: Southern Ward and Northern McLean Counties

This project is in the process of design and State MR&I grant funding has been ap-



Plow train installing 4" water main



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proved. This project stretches from Benedict to the Ft. Berthold Reservation border and from Lake Sakakawea to the Radar Base and includes a small portion of Mountrail County. This project is expected to be bid this spring with construction beginning later this summer and continuing into 2010.

Anamoose Project—Service Area: Southern McHenry and Western Pierce Counties This project is also in the design process with approved grant funding from the State MR&I Program. Canvassing has begun for this project which extends from east of Benedict to Anamoose—including the City of Anamoose.

Projects in the Funding Application Process

Rural Granville/Deering—Service Area: Eastern Ward/Western McHenry Counties This project extends from Granville to the area surrounding and including Deering. We expect it to be bid later in 2009 with construction completed in 2010.

Berthold/Carpio—Service Area: Western Ward County This project extends from Des Lacs to Carpio. The water supply will be from the NAWS pipeline so is totally dependent on the schedule of that State owned project. We hope to bid this project later this year with construction to be completed in 2010.

Ryder/Makoti—Service Area: Southwestern Ward County and Northwestern McLean County

This project extends from Rice Lake to Makoti and south to Lake Sakakawea and is expected to be bid in the fall or winter of 2010 with construction completed in 2011.



May 3-9, 2009

The North Central Rural Water Consortium does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, marital status, or disability in employment or the provision of services.

Fees and Other Important Information

NSF Check Fee

\$20 plus any other expenses incurred by the NCRWC in the process of obtaining payment will be assessed for each NSF check received.

No Read Fee

Customers that do not submit a monthly meter reading will be charged a \$10 fee and your water usage will be based on your previous 3 months average usage. If it becomes necessary for an NCRWC technician to obtain a reading, a \$30 fee will be charged to your account. Some exceptions may apply. Please notify our office if you are not using any water due to being a seasonal user so that we can mark your account as such.

Past Due/Delinquent Account

- All past due customer accounts will be charged a \$5.00 service charge for each month they are past due.
- If NCRWC deems it necessary to attempt

collection at your residence for a past due balance, an additional \$50 will be charged to your account.

- NCRWC reserves the right to terminate water access to customers with a past due balance. The disconnect and reconnect fees will be calculated as follows:
 - Past due balance must be paid in full, including any no read fees, past due service charges, \$40 disconnect fee, \$40 reconnect fee, plus the number of months the account was past due times the base rate.
 - If the account is inactive for more than 9 months, the reactivation fee is the lesser of \$600 plus the number of months the account was inactive times the base rate OR \$2,400.
- Past due accounts may be turned over to a collection agency.

Where Does My Water Come From?

There is no one answer to this question for North Central Rural Water Consortium (NCRWC) customers since there are numerous entities involved in this overall project.

In general, if you are located in rural Des Lacs/Burlington, including Brooks and Rambling Hills Additions, your water is purchased from Minot and delivered via a pipeline owned and maintained by North Prairie Rural Water District (NPRWD).

Customers in the Pick City/Riverdale area receive their water from the City of Riverdale's recently refurbished water treatment plant and delivered via the NCRWC's pipeline.

Since October 2008, residents of Granville and the Logan area have been receiving their water from NPRWD's new water

treatment plant, delivered by a pipeline owned and operated by the NCRWC.

Maybe you've seen it—the big blue building that houses NPRWD's new water treatment plant just outside of Voltaire. This state of the art plant has the capacity to treat 900 gallons per minute and is an iron-manganese pressure system with nano-filtration at the end.

Several upcoming projects will also receive their water from this new plant, including those in the Radar Hill, Benedict, and Anamoose projects. Also, some customers in the Ryder/Makoti project will receive their water from North Prairie's new plant, with others in the area receiving their water from Ft. Berthold Rural Water.

Another major supplier of water for the NCRWC is the Central Plains Water District (CPWD). Their newly renovated water

treatment plant is located 7 miles west of Fessenden. This plant has the capacity to treat 450 gallons per minute and is an iron-manganese pressure system.

14, your water will come from CPWD.

Rural Granville/Deering will receive water treated by the City of Minot via NPRWD's and NCRWC's distribution systems.



North Prairie Rural Water District's new state of the art water treatment plant near Voltaire.

Customers that will receive their water from CPWD's plant, delivered via the NCRWC's distribution system, are those located in the REAP zone and the Benson County Phase II Project. In general, if you are located east of Anamoose, or Hwy

Finally, the water supply for the Berthold/Carpio project will come from the NAWs project.

Watch your mail for your annual Consumer Confidence Report (due July 1) for information regarding the quality of your water.

Miscellaneous Policies and Regulations

The board of directors of the North Central Rural Water Consortium (NCRWC) would like to remind you of some of the policies and regulations which govern our system.

Transfer of Service

Service may not be transferred to new properties, but may be transferred to new property owners with the notification and permission of the NCRWC. All transfers

shall be required to have a signed Water Users Agreement and a Right-of-Way Easement on file. Failure to comply could result in a loss of service.

If the account was inactivated by the seller prior to the sale, a \$600 reactivation fee will be required. If seller's account is current, no fee is required for transfer of service.

Theft of Service

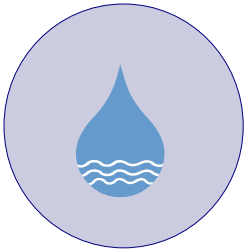
There shall be no less than a \$1,000 fine for anyone who intentionally uses water without first running the water through a water meter. This is a violation of ND Century Code 40-04.1-02.

Space does not allow for a complete listing of our policies and state regulations. Please feel free to contact our office if you have questions.

Liquidated Damages Clause

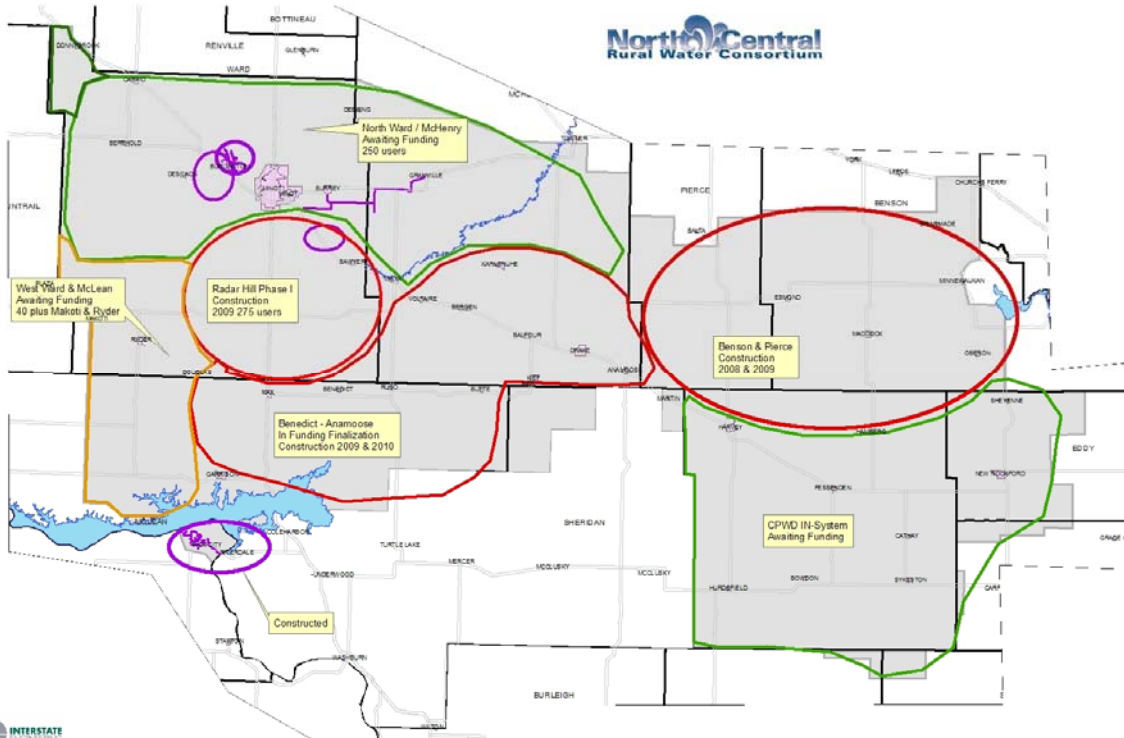
Customers may not terminate their account until after the first 36 months of monthly minimum fees have been paid. A reactivation fee will apply if customer decides to reconnect to the system. The reactivation fee is the lesser of \$600 plus the number of months the account was inactive times the base rate OR \$2,400.

The NCRWC reserves the right to revise their fees and policies without further notification to the public.



You may send a self-addressed stamped envelope to our office and request address labels to be used when paying your bill.

A complete legal description is necessary to accurately locate potential customers. Incomplete legal descriptions delay the process of assigning customers to upcoming projects. It may also result in customers being mapped incorrectly or the wrong name being assigned to a particular piece of property.



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