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Dear FID Patrons,

As we work together through this challenging irrigation season, Farmers Irrigation District (FID) would like to thank you for your continued cooperation with the district's conservation measures. Your hard work and dedication to conserve water during this severe drought has made a difference.

As part of our shared conservation strategy, our Upper and Middle section patrons were/are restricted to $\frac{3}{4}$ of their water right to maintain water supply through the irrigation season. Thanks to your efforts, if nothing changes with projected use and/or projected weather, we do not anticipate any further irrigation restrictions this season.

The irrigation season ends on September 30th. FID staff will be turning off the diversions on this day and the system will begin to drain. To protect your personal equipment and ensure a smooth startup next spring, we encourage FID patrons to take a few steps to winterize their systems after the shutdown:

- Turn off your main water valve to isolate your private system.
- Open all manual drain valves to let water empty out of your pipes and filters.
- Drain your system and winterize to prevent damage from freezing.
- Clear out any debris from your intake screens and filters so they are clean for next year.

Looking ahead, please anticipate a minor increase to the 2027 irrigation assessment. The Budget Committee and Board of Directors will review and approve the final budget on Wednesday, October 21 at 11:00 am at the FID office.

If you have any questions or concerns, your FID team is always here to help. You can reach us directly at fidhr@fidhr.org or by calling the office at 541-387-5261. Thank you again for your cooperation in protecting our water resources. We remain hopeful for a good snowpack next year!

Best Regards,

The Farmers Irrigation District Staff