



## City of Ketchum

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### **Turn Sprinklers Off From 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

City water users may not operate sprinklers on lawns and gardens between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. until Sept. 1. The city plans to increase enforcement because of the drought, Public Works Director Robyn Mattison said. Violation of the ordinance on watering hours is a misdemeanor.

Exceptions may be for new plantings or drip systems that minimize evaporation. Mattison asks that residents contact [participate@ketchumidaho.com](mailto:participate@ketchumidaho.com) if they see daytime sprinklers running at a vacant building or a neighbor who fails to respond to a gentle reminder.

All of Blaine County is experiencing “severe” to “moderate drought,” and the entire state is “abnormally dry,” according to the National Drought Mitigation Center.

A complete copy of the ordinance is on the Internet at <http://ketchumidaho.org/water>.

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#### **About the City of Ketchum**

The city of Ketchum is located in the Wood River Valley in south central Idaho. Founded in 1880 during the mining boom, Ketchum is now regarded as one of the most popular destinations for winter and summer visitors due to its world-class skiing, mountain biking, fishing, hiking, restaurants, art galleries and shopping. The city of Ketchum hosts the famous annual Wagon Days Parade, held on Labor Day weekend, and numerous other year-round attractions. Ketchum is home to more than 10,000 full- and part-time residents. For more information about the city of Ketchum, visit [www.ketchumidaho.org](http://www.ketchumidaho.org).

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