

Good afternoon Mr Mayor and Council

I think Heike Stippler had made good points in her letter to council that was also printed in the pique new magazine. Article is pasted below.

I believe in water conservation, how it is done matters. I am not saying remove the bylaw but adjust it accordingly to meet the needs of Whistlers short growing season with the requested allowances for new planting and repairs.

Whistler is unique as we all know and our short growing season should be treated as such. Asking that the bylaw start July 1st instead of May 1st is a request that I would like you to consider.

We have been here before with watering restrictions and managed it accordingly by dealing directly with the irrigation experts as well as landscapers.

I believe these two industries should have been consulted during the process as their expertise would have been a valuable addition to the conversation.

I work directly with Whistler irrigation that has been excellent with water conservation and management of the properties I care for. All have rain sensors and watering is set to the needs of individual zones. When managed and monitored properly this works well.

I think the idea of changing the bylaw date to accommodate the shorter growing season is reasonable.

Flowers are blooming in Pemberton and Squamish while we still have snow in some areas and flower beds are still covered in gravel from seasonal sanding and salting.

<https://www.piquenewsmagazine.com/opinion/letter-whistler-needs-to-do-better-on-water-use-bylaw-8534307>

Thank you for your time

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