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## **Your water supply is affected by heavy rains. Here's what you need to know.**

### **How the Kincaid water scheme works**

Long or heavy rains increase the turbidity (cloudiness) of water entering the Kincaid scheme tanks.

The scheme is fitted with a meter that measures the turbidity of the water.

When the turbidity reaches a certain level, a valve controlling water entry to the scheme closes. It stays closed until the turbidity level reduces.

This means the Kincaid water scheme supply main tanks stop refilling, stopping dirty water entering the system at the source.

During this time your water supply is limited to the water within the main tanks and your domestic tank.

After the supply into the main tanks reopens, it will take a day or so for water from scheme to reach your domestic tank.

### **What do I need to do?**

You should assume that during every long or very heavy rainfall, the scheme will stop refilling. This will continue throughout the poor weather, which may last several days.

During this time, you should minimise your water use so that you don't run out of water.

Please make sure everyone who lives in or uses this property knows about this.

### **How will I know about it?**

You should assume that during every long or very heavy rainfall, the scheme will shut down. We will not be sending these notices after every event.

Where possible, we may also update our website and Facebook and put a notice in the Kaikoura Star.

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