



## CAO Report – October 21, 2025

Last week the District of Summerland elevated its water drought status to Level 3 due to ongoing dry weather and significantly reduced streamflow and reservoir levels. Low precipitation over the summer and early fall has created very dry conditions. Even with the recent showers we had on the weekend, reservoir data indicates that both domestic and agricultural water supplies could be affected in 2026 if drought conditions continue. Moving to Level 3 now helps stabilize our water supply while ensuring essential needs for residents, businesses, and farms are met. While most people are done watering their plants for the season, please consult the website for more information on odd/even watering restrictions if you need more information. If we don't get more rain soon, we might need to move to Level 4 drought status in the next few weeks at which time more information will be shared with the community.

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We are continuing our consultations on the draft Official Community Plan and have open houses planned for October 28 and 30 at the George Ryga Centre from 4pm to 8pm with a formal presentation scheduled at 430pm. Come out to learn more about what's happening with the plan like proposed changes to the urban growth boundary, land use designations, growth management policies and development permit areas. The phase 2 'what we heard' report is also on the website along with other resources if you get a chance to look at that before you come out. We want to hear from community members about their views about what the plan should include, and how we manage growth in the coming years.

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The Summerland Aquatic Centre will be hosting a 'Halloween Haunt' on October 25 – tickets are available in person at the aquatic centre for \$7.50 each. Come out for a fun night of games, swimming, and more and don't forget to bring your costume! We are also hosting a free youth night on October 29 for ages 12-17 in collaboration with the Foundry, the Okanagan Foster Parents Association, and Prima Pizza. No registration is required - check out the website for more information.

Respectfully submitted,

Graham Statt, Chief Administrative Officer