



CAO Report – March 25, 2026

The community remains in drought level 4 but we continue to monitor snowpack levels and are regularly reporting out to the community through our website, social media and newsletter with the latest information. On March 31st the latest snowpack results will be in, at which point we will be able to provide Council with a 2026 outlook on our water storage, with options. There are still many variables like spring rains and the kind of summer we will have, but we intend to provide irrigators and the community with our best information very soon for their planning purposes, and so folks have a good idea of what is happening when the irrigation water services are turned on.

Our aquatic centre and arena are turning 50 years old this year and we have been profiling opportunities to access and enjoy these facilities free of charge as part of the celebration. This Friday we have a free public skate from 1:30pm to 3:00pm and a free public swim from 1pm to 2:55pm. Additionally, the curling club is open to the public tonight from 6pm to 9pm for those that would like to learn more about curling in Summerland and perhaps would like to try their hand at throwing a stone or two down the ice.

Finally, just a reminder that our Public Works crews will be heading out soon to sweep Summerland's 330 lane-kilometers of roads. Our approach is to start in the lower town area and work our way up to the higher elevations. Sweeping takes approximately two months to complete and is a two-step process as follows:

Step 1 - Sand laden areas are cleaned with a front broom articulating sweeper, loader and dump truck.

Step 2 - Remaining sand particles are cleaned with a vacuum sweeper. This is a slower process as it takes several passes to cover the same amount of road area.

If you hear or see the sweeper in your neighbourhood, please move your vehicle off the street to help us work efficiently.

Respectfully submitted,

Graham Statt, Chief Administrative Officer