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**June 2024**

## The Ins & Outs of Backflow Devices

Falls City Council voted in favor of the City maintaining backflow testing devices for residents.

Below are some answers to some questions regarding backflows.

### Why does it need checked?

Per OAR 333-061-0070, the City will be responsible for having your backflow device tested every 12 months. If your device fails, it will need to be repaired or replaced, and retested.

Residents' backflow devices were tested by the city in 2023, devices will need to be tested again during the calendar year 2024.

### What will the backflow testing cost the residents?

Previously the backflow testing fee on the water bill was \$2.25 a month, but due to inflation and the cost of testing increasing the fee will be increased by 25 cents making the fee \$2.50 a month.

### What does a backflow do?

A backflow device prevents backwards flow of water into city main lines. For example a main line breaks and loses positive pressure. With no backflow device installed contaminated or old irrigation line water could flow back into the main water pipe and possibly contaminate the whole system with bacteria, leading to widespread illness.

### When are backflows tested?

Backflow devices can be checked anytime throughout the year. Dryer weather (summer months) are ideal for testing

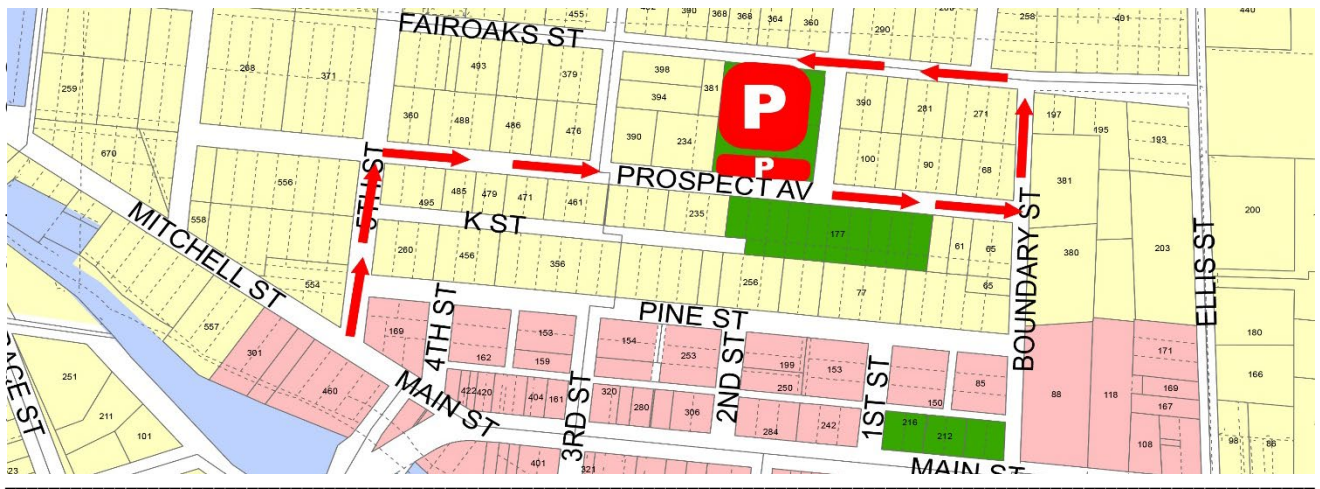
### Who receives the backflow testing results?

It is a requirement by the State of Oregon that the City of Falls City report on every backflow tested to Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), and Oregon Water Association (OWA).



# Falls City High School Graduation Parking Map

Any questions please call Mr. Kidd at 503.787.3521 ext 1102



## Medication Take Back

**Wednesday, June 19 from 10 am to 2 pm at the Fire Hall**

In coordination with the Polk County Sheriff and INMAR Intelligence there will be a Medication Take Back on Wednesday, June 19 starting at 10 am on the apron of the Fire Hall at 320 N Main Street. This is an opportunity to dispose of outdated or no longer needed medication laying around your house.

## City Meetings

**City Council**

Monday, June 3 @ 6 pm

**Park & Rec Committee**

Wednesday, June 19 @ 6 pm

**Public Works Committee**

Thursday, June 20 @ 6 pm

All meetings are held in the Community Center at 320 N Main Street.

### FALLS CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT EMERGENCY ROAD SIGN REQUEST FORM

These are the reflective address signs at the end of driveways for 911 Emergencies.

Your printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Home owner's Name if different \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Your Physical address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number where we can reach you \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address for confirmation \_\_\_\_\_

Your house description (Type, color, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby authorize the Falls City Fire Dept to install described address sign at my driveway .

Your Signature here: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this portion to City Hall by July 20th