

# Township supports Laird upgrades

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Spallumcheen council has thrown its support behind another of its water districts looking to make improvements.

The Laird Improvement District has applied to the [Okanagan Basin Water Board](#) for a grant from the board's water conservation and quality improvement grant program.

The grant is for \$25,000 which would allow the Laird district to install a dedicated delivery line and manifolds to its reservoir.

"We would be increasing the water line to a four-inch line and manifolds to the reservoir," said Lynne Bear, administrator for the Laird Improvement District.

"It will help with the quality of water, improve chlorine contact time and equalize chlorine residuals for all residents."

The Laird Improvement District services 97 township residences, one farm and one hatchery.

The total cost of the project is around \$70,000.

Council had expressed some concern that perhaps the district did not make the application deadline, but Bear said they were well within the deadline, they just hadn't realized they needed a council support resolution.

The motion to support the Laird district was unanimous.

Earlier this year, council supported two grant applications to the OBWB by the Steele Springs Waterworks District totalling more than \$21,000.