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Chlorine Shortage Impacts the Prosser Aquatic Center This Summer

Due to a regional chlorine shortage, the City of Prosser will not be able to open the Aquatic Center on June 18, 2021 as previously planned. The City's contract service provider Oxarc, is responsible for producing over 90% of the State's supply and has experienced a malfunction at their production plant. City staff have reached out to providers in other states in hopes of securing chlorine from alternate sources however, those providers are also experiencing a shortage in materials. Chlorine supplies are being diverted to drinking water treatment and wastewater processing. It is unknown at this time when supplies will become available but the City anticipates being able to provide an update later next week.

At this time, session 1 and 2 of swim lessons starting the week of June 21st are cancelled. Participants will be notified of the change and refunds provided. Swim Team will be cancelled beginning June 17, 2021.

"This is an especially heartbreaking situation, not only for our patrons but for our dedicated staff who have trained very hard to ensure a safe summer of swimming and fun at the Prosser Aquatic Center. It is our hope that the supplier is able to resume production in a timely manner so that we can get back to summer!" said Community Development Director, Steve Zetz.

Please contact Community Development Director Steve Zetz at (509) 786-8212 or by email at szetz@ci.prosser.wa.us with any questions.

LETTER FROM OXARC

"We have no choice but to stop all Chlorine gas, Sodium Hypochlorite, Muriatic Acid (Hydrochloric) and Caustic Soda deliveries to all non-essential users. We must make sure that we have enough product to service all of our drinking water and wastewater customers. Attached you will find the Force Majeure letters from our suppliers. At this time we do not know how long the supply interruption is going to last. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause and we will let you know as soon as supply returns. We appreciate your understanding."

*Thanks,
Shay Wolf*

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