

Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District Press Release

Canal Priming Begins on March 15, 2021

Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District will open the head gate on the Sunnyside Division Dam at 12:01 am on Monday March 15, 2021 to begin canal priming. Due to the time it takes for the water delivery system to fill, many water users closer to the main canals may have access earlier depending upon their location along the canal system. Priming the entire system will take priority over water deliveries. This means the water surface elevation in the Sunnyside Canal may not be high enough to make deliveries until the system is primed. The canal priming will continue throughout the next two weeks. SVID anticipates that irrigation water will be available to all water users by request by April 1, 2021.

Tentative Priming Schedule:

Head Gate	Monday March 15, 2021
Lower Division	Thursday March 18, 2021
Snipes Lateral	Monday March 22, 2021
Mabton, 30.20, 23.10, 39.79 and 48.04	Tuesday March 23, 2021
Prosser, 49.71 and others as needed	Wednesday March 24, 2021

All dates are subject to change due to weather and unanticipated circumstances.