



## Rio Grande Water Conservation District

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*Protecting & Conserving San Luis Valley Water*

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Dear Tester,

My name is Rob Phillips and I am the Program Manager for Subdistrict #1. It is my understanding that you may have been asked by individuals to install and or test totalizing flow meters on can pumps or pivots in order to measure surface water going through the sprinkler. Installing totalizing flow meters in those types of situations will not only benefit the producer, it will greatly enhance the Subdistricts ability to account for accurate surface water supplies flowing through irrigation systems. If the meter is installed on water being pumped by a can pump from a reservoir please use the attached form. If the meter is installed on a pivot to measure both surface water and groundwater together please contact the Division of Water Resources to insure compliance. A variance may be needed and the test should be done on Division 3 form 3.1.

In that regard I am enclosing a Notice of Totalizing Flow Meter Re-Verification, Installation or Replacement form which Subdistrict staff requests after completion of an installation and or test of totalizing flow meters regarding the accurate measurement of surface water through a sprinkler. This form is very similar to the 3.1 Form utilized by the Division of Water Resources for your convenience. Unless a client has a variance for a specific totalizing flow meter that the Division of Water Resources is keeping track of, we ask that you fill out this form and mail it to:

Rio Grande Water Conservation District  
Attn. Subdistrict No. 1 Meter Notice  
10900 Highway 160 East  
Alamosa, CO 81101

Please feel free to contact us or the Division of Water Resources for questions on placement of meters. Additionally, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns and I will be happy to discuss them with you. My email address is [Robert@rgwcd.org](mailto:Robert@rgwcd.org).

Sincerely,

Robert Phillips,  
Program Manager

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Enclosure

