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TOWN IS THE MOST WATER-WISE

Oliver dubbed most water-wise community in the Okanagan

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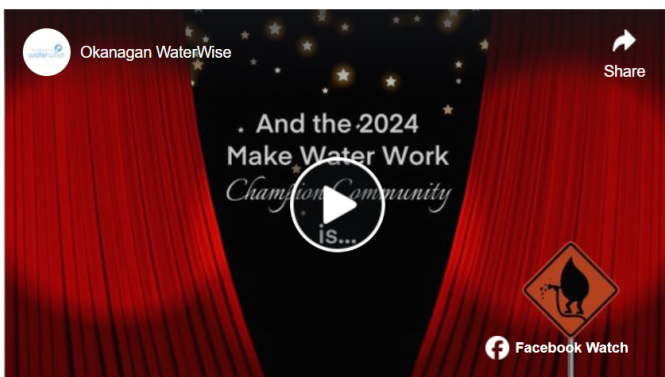
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Oliver has won the title of the most water-wise community in the Okanagan, according to results from the Okanagan Basin Water Board's [water conservation challenge](#).

In a social media post last week, the OBWB's WaterWise project announced the win for the South Okanagan town.

"Congrats to the Town of Oliver! Your town made more pledges to make water work than any other community in the Okanagan (per capita)," reads the post.

The Make Water Work challenge asks communities and individual residents to pledge on various water conservation measures, such as watering only at dawn and dusk and planting climate-appropriate plants. As community champion, Oliver saw the most pledges.



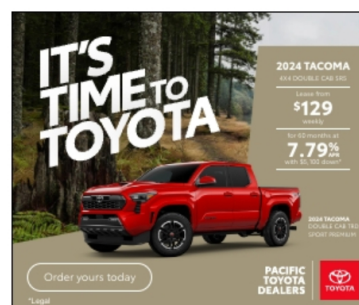
Oliver was awarded community champion during the WaterWise annual general meeting in September. The Town of Oliver's emergency operations coordinator accepted the award, and a \$500 gift card, on behalf of Oliver Mayor Martin Johansen.

The Town also received a water-wise coral baby penstemon, which was planted at Oliver Town Hall.

"Thank you to everyone who took the pledge to 'Make Water Work' and contributed to making Oliver this year's Community Champion," said the Town of Oliver in a social media post.

This year's win marks 10 years since Oliver last won the water wise challenge in 2014. Since then, the City of Armstrong and the District of Peachland have traded the title of the most water wise community in the Okanagan over the last decade.

The Make Water Work pledge challenge is running until September's end, making individual



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The Make Water Work pledge challenge is running until September's end, making individual community members eligible for a \$500 gift card for water-wise landscaping.



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Town of Oliver staff plant a water-wise coral baby penstemon at Town Hall.



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