

## **SUGGESTIONS FOR WINTERIZING YOUR CABIN**

1. Insulate exposed water pipes under the cabin and any exposed service lines outside. A watertight box should cover outside insulation. (Wet insulation loses its insulating value.)
2. When closing the cabin, shut off the water at your shut off valve. (Please do not use the BLSMWC shut off located in the meter box.)
3. Turn off electricity to the hot water heater. Be sure heater is full of water before restoring energy.
4. Drain lines by opening the drain valve that should be at the lowest point in the system. (If you have no drain valve, you should install one.)
5. Open all inside faucets. (kitchen, bathroom, service room, etc. including shower riser)
6. Open all outside hose bibs and relieve all vacuum breakers if so equipped.
7. Flush toilets and add 1/4 cup of biodegradable non-toxic antifreeze to toilet bowls. Add 1/8 cup of biodegradable non-toxic antifreeze to water left in flush tanks and in all wastewater traps. CAUTION: ANTIFREEZE MAY AFFECT THE PROPER OPERATION OF YOUR SEPTIC TANK AND SHOULD BE USED IN MODERATION.
8. Please DO NOT let water run in order to prevent freezing since this wastes water.

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**If you are having problems with your water service call:**

BLSMWC office at 209-795-7025 Monday through Friday, 8-4

OR call 209-795-7030 and leave a message. The message will be electronically transferred to the person on call.

If you observe leaks in the lines of the water system, please call us at once. Thank you!

(Please post this in your cabin)