



Cold Weather Tips

- **Wrap all pipes!** You may purchase special wrapping material or simply use an old sweatshirt or newspapers. Secure them with plastic tape.
- **Turn off your automatic sprinklers.** Overflowing water from sprinklers can cause hazardous conditions on sidewalks and roadways.
- **Know where your main shut off is located!** Disconnect all hoses, and then wrap all faucets to prevent them from freezing.
- **Inspect your water meter!** The meter will be safe from freezing if the dead air space is maintained around it.
- **Traveling during the winter? Ask a friend to check your premise while you are away.** Let them know that it's OK to call Carmichael Water District for assistance if the need arises.
- **If your pipes do freeze, wrapping them with rags and repeatedly pouring warm water over the rags may thaw them.** Once pipes thaw, rewrap them with dry materials.
- **Never use an open flame to thaw frozen pipes!** You may start a fire and at the very least, your pipe will burst.

