

PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

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Romans' Precision Irrigation

Vale, OR

LOCK OUT TAG OUT



Your Lock!



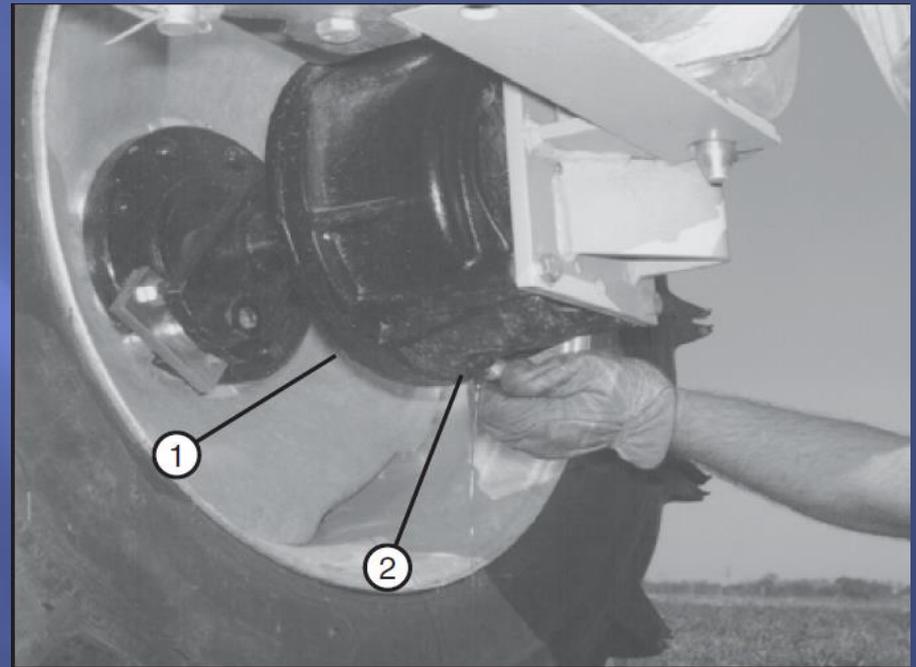
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WHEEL GEARBOX

Change all oil in gearboxes after first season

After first season change oil every 3rd year or 3000 hours

Drain any condensation and top off gearbox oil after every season



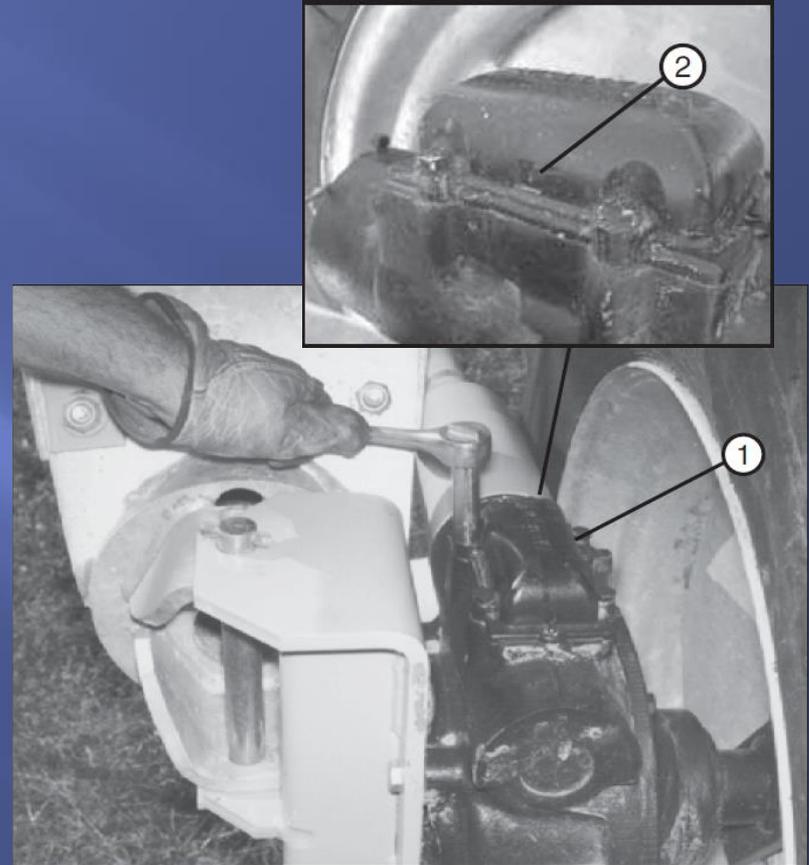
1. Wheel Gearbox
2. Drain Plug

WHEEL GEARBOX CONT.

Remove Cap

Ensure vent holes are not plugged

Rubber expansion seal should not have any holes

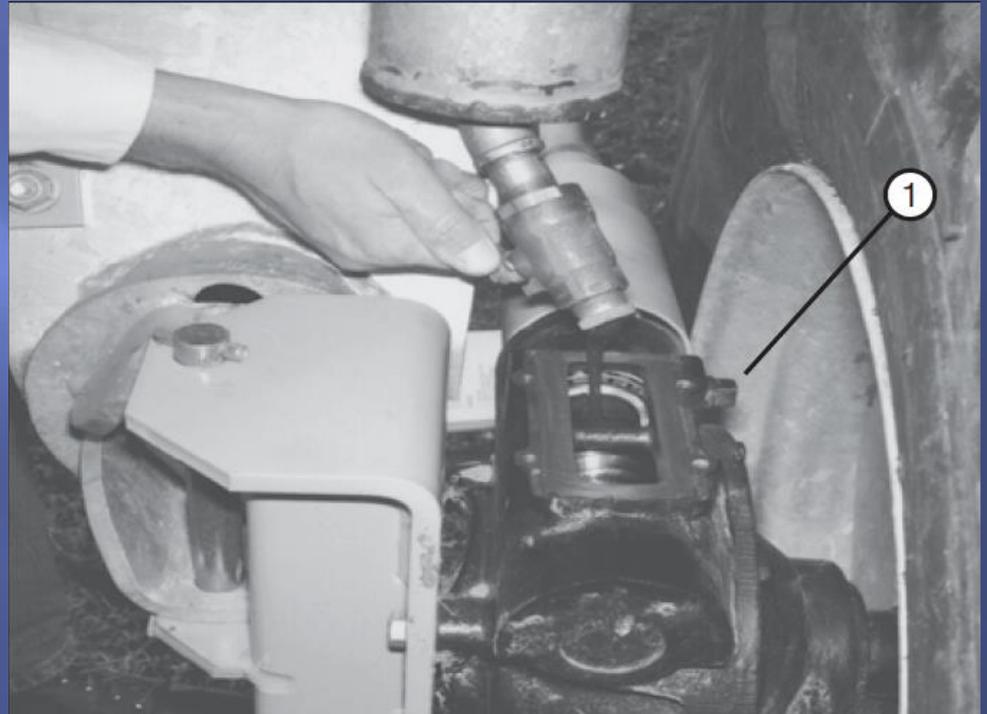


WHEEL GEARBOX CONT.

Fill to the top of the worm gear

Capacity is about 5 quarts

Reinstall with original hardware
and torque to 8 lb-ft

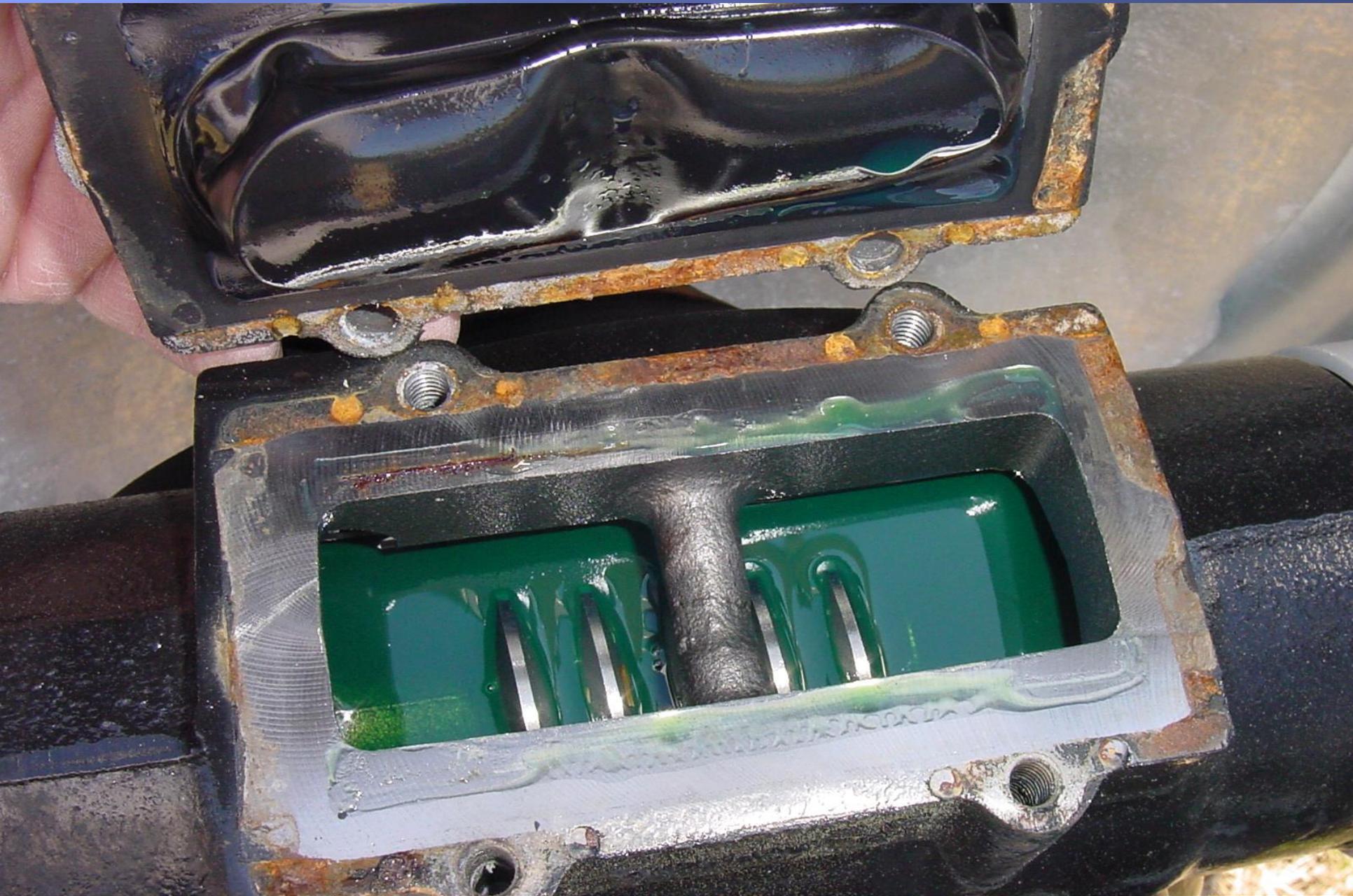






**CLEAN OFF DIRT-
AIR OR WIRE
BRUSH**





OIL IS "MILKY" IN COLOR DUE TO WATER IN THE GEARBOX



A close-up photograph showing a person's hands using red-handled pliers to open a drain plug on a vehicle's axle assembly. The axle is dark and metallic, and the surrounding area is a light-colored metal housing. The person is wearing a dark jacket and blue jeans. The background is a field of dry grass. A blue text box is overlaid on the bottom left of the image.

**WATER SETTLES TO
THE BOTTOM!!!!**

LEAKING GEARBOXES



**AIR VENT HOLES TO RELEASE INTERNAL
PRESSURE AS GEAR LUBE EXPANDS!!!**





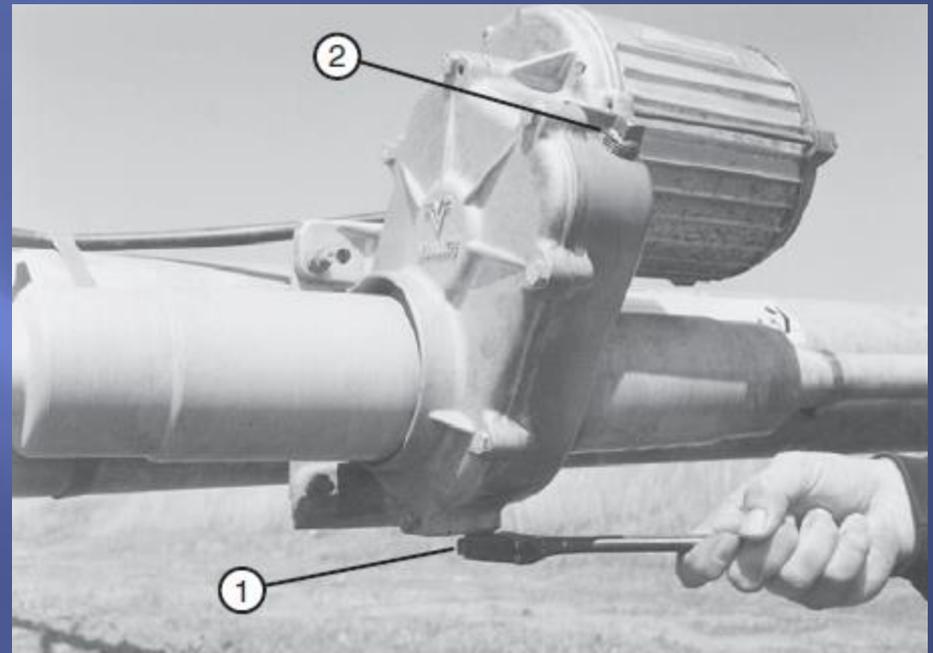
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HELICAL GEARMOTOR

Change oil Every season

Don't be alarmed, New gearboxes arrive with a lighter weight oil then what will be put in after the first oil change



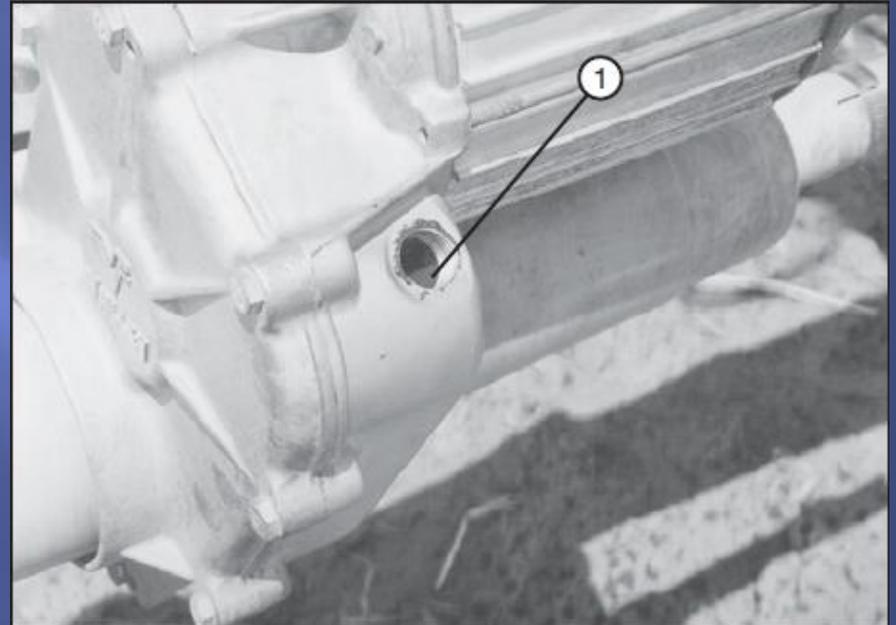
1. Drain Plug
2. Fill Plug

HELICAL GEARMOTOR CONT.

Fill to the **BOTTOM** of the fill plug with about 1 quart of Valley™ Gearlube

DO NOT OVERFILL

Overfilling can lead to seal leakage or failure as expansion needs the air gap



1. Bottom of Fill Plug Hole



Drive Shaft Starts Without Warning!

- Do not touch the drive shaft or any moving parts of the machine while it is running or when the machine is locked in the off position.
- Always replace drive shaft shield after servicing.

VALLEY		VALLEY CENTER DRIVE	
VALLEY IRRIGATION VALLEY, NE 68064 U.S.A.		HIGH SPEED	
OUTPUT HP	1.2/1.0	AMBIENT °C	40
VOLTS AC	480/240	ENCLOSURE	TENV
AMPS	1.6/1.8	FRAME	56-B
HERTZ	60/50	TYPE	JFN-GD
OUTPUT RPM	68/56	INSULATION CLASS	F
PHASE	3	CONTINUOUS DUTY	
CODE	R	THERMALLY PROTECTED	
SERVICE FACTOR	1.3	ID#	685917/2087
DESIGNED FOR IRRIGATION EQUIPMENT			
ASSEMBLY PN-03E1559		MADE IN USA	
GEAR BOX PN-02E1558		MOTOR PN-03E1559	
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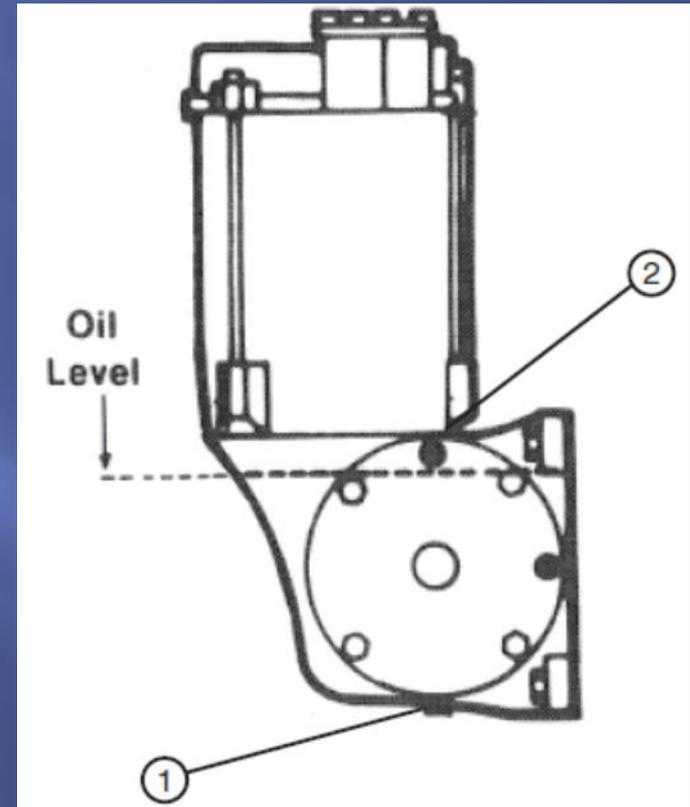


WORM GEARMOTOR CONT.

Fill to WITHIN ½ inch of the bottom of the fill plug with about 1 quart of Valley™ Gearlube

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SAFETY TO OPERATE WITH
A HIGH QUALITY OIL



Drive Shaft Starts Without Warning!

...ing drive shaft or shield. Clothing or
... become entangled, resulting in severe injury.
... machine is locked in the off position
... replace drive shaft shield after servicing.



Drive Shaft Starts Without Warning!

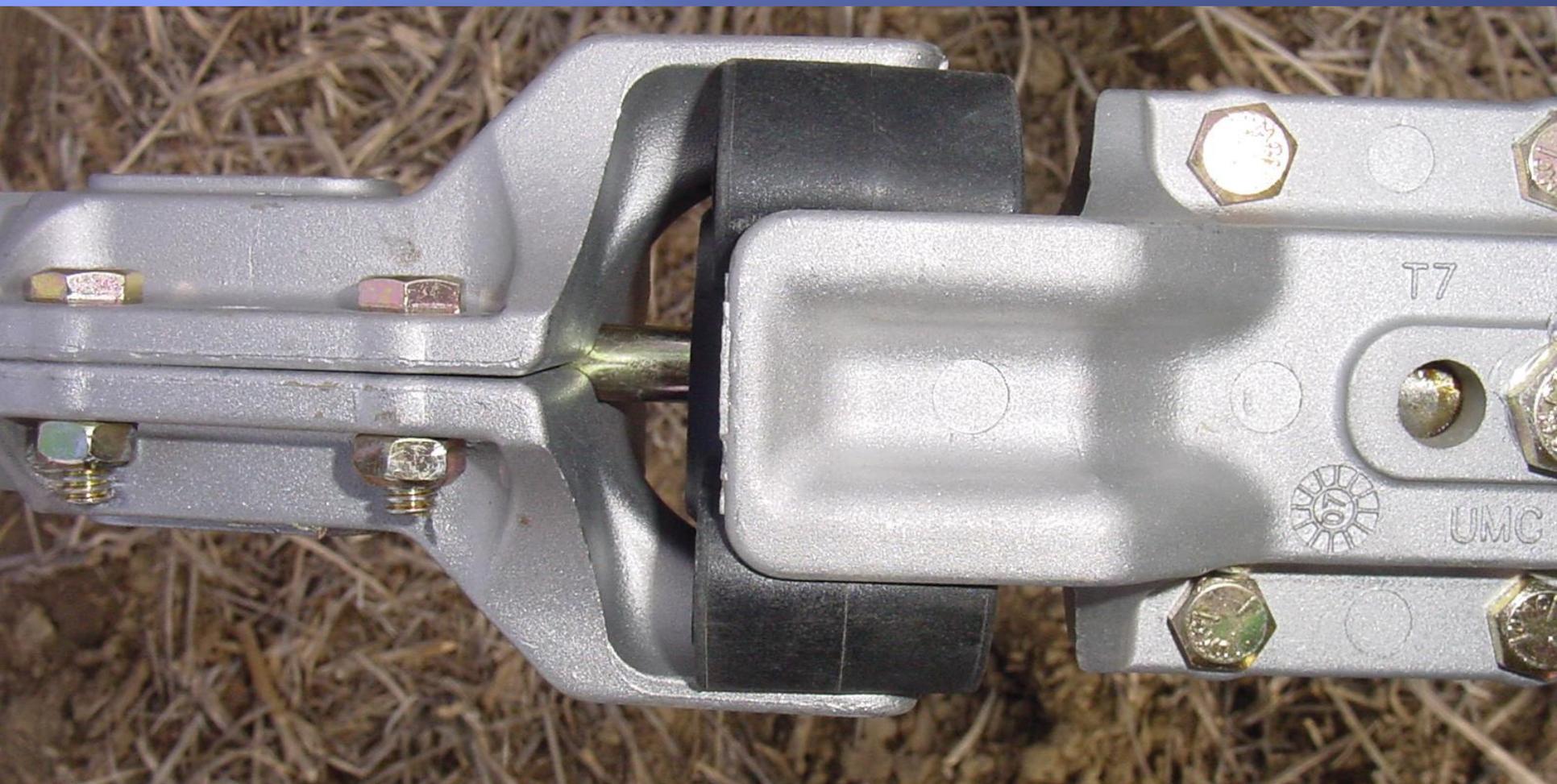
- Do not touch rotating drive shaft or shield. Clothing or limbs may become entangled, resulting in severe injury.
- Do not service until machine is locked in the off position.
- Always replace drive shaft shield after servicing.



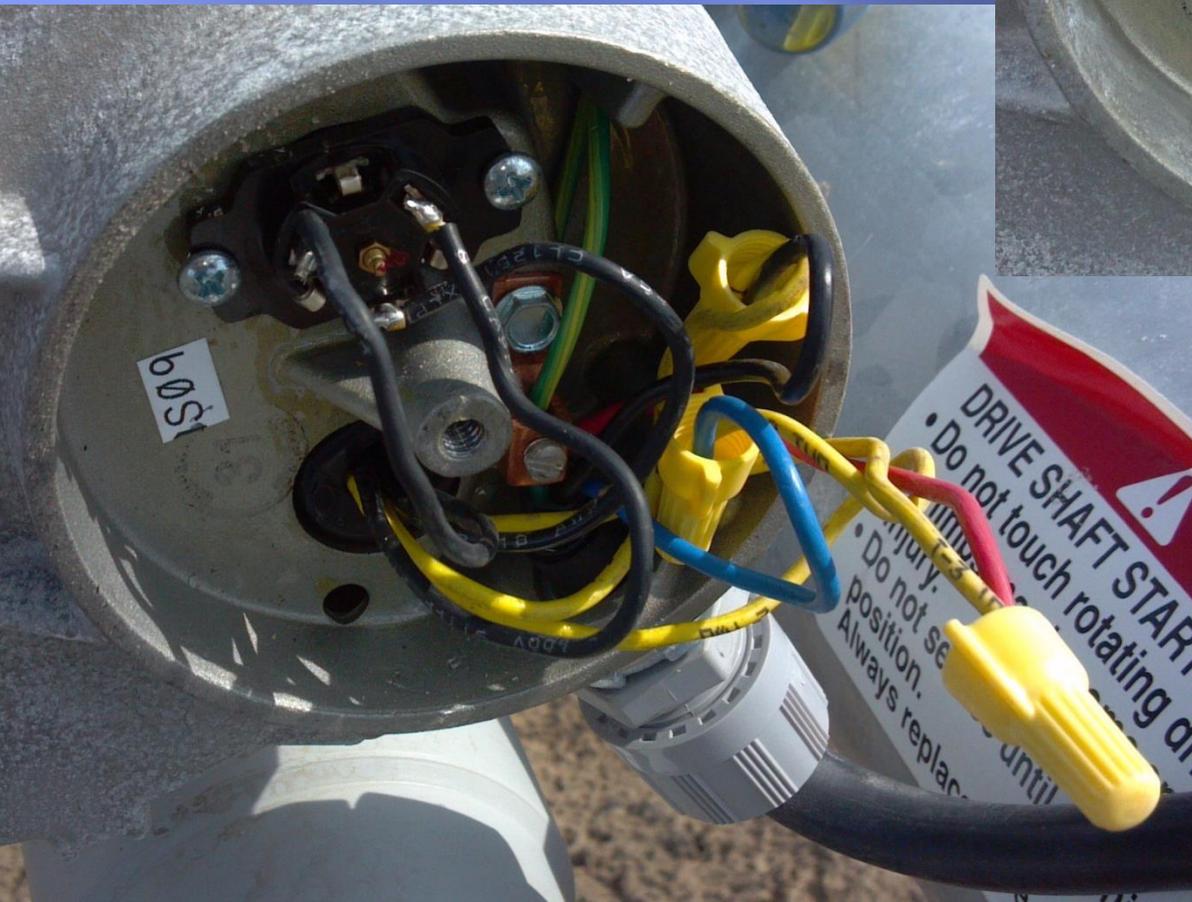
NO CENTER PIN, PUCK INSERT WILL TWIST OUT UNDER HI TORQUE



U-JOINT WITH PIN INSERTED THROUGH PUCK



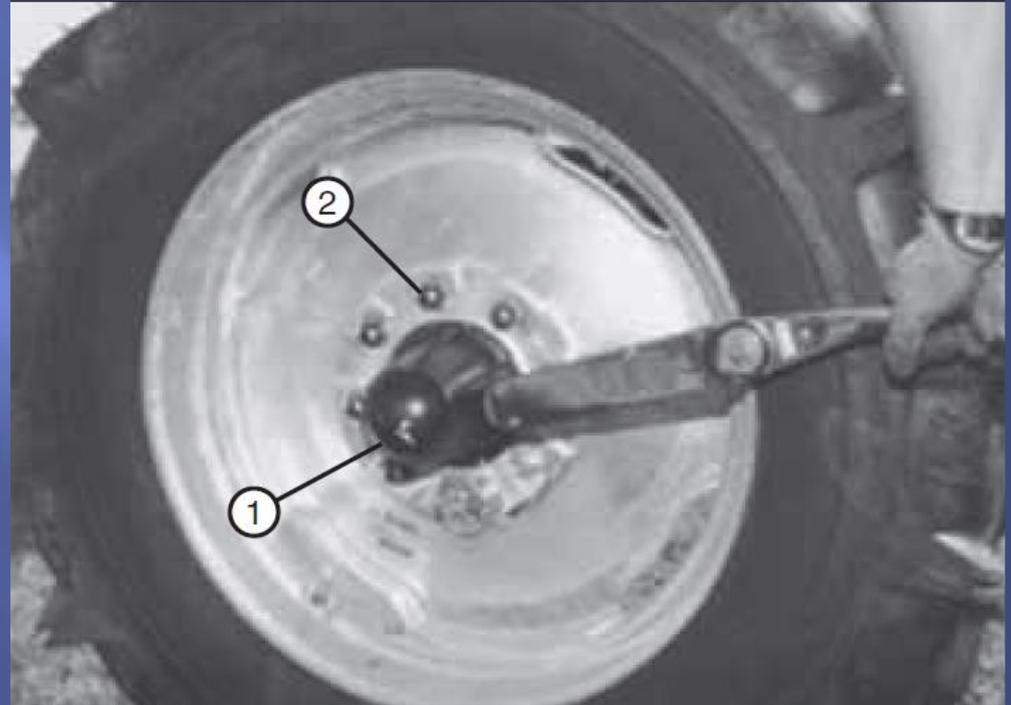
**WIRE NUTS SHOULD BE IN THE “UP”
POSITION TO SHED MOISTURE, NOT
“UPSIDE DOWN” TO CATCH MOISTURE!**



WHEEL LUG NUT TORQUE

Torque to 125 lb-ft (169.47 N-m)

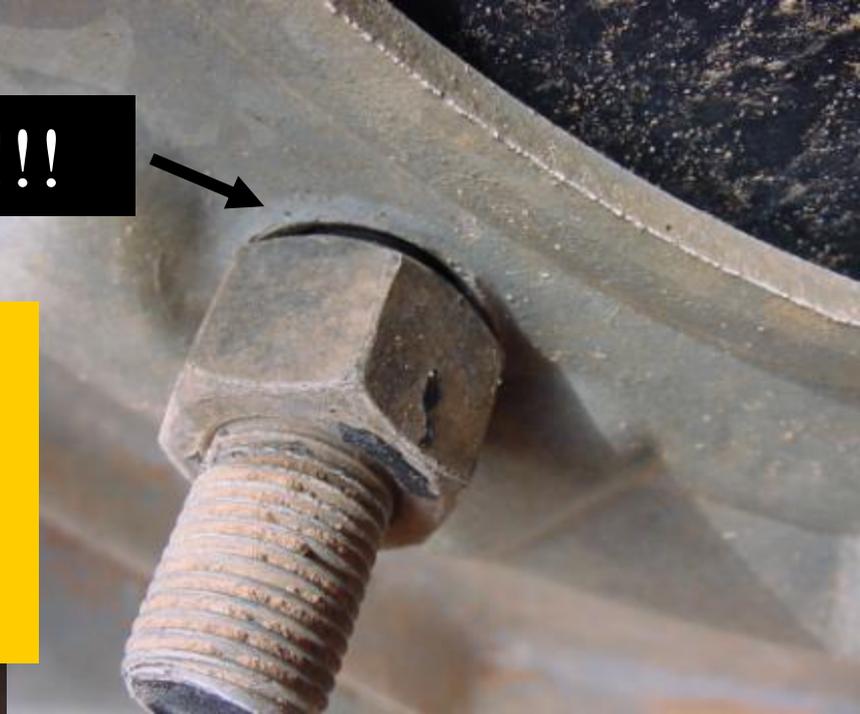
Check annually at spring startup





WARNING: LOOSE!!!!!!!

TIRE LUG NUTS



TIGHT !!!!!



TIRE PRESSURE

WARNING

- TIRES ARE SHIPPED AT A PRESSURE OF 30 TO 35 PSI (206 TO 241 KPA).
- BE SURE THE TIRES HAVE BEEN DEFLATED TO THE CORRECT PRESSURE (SHOWN ON DECAL) BEFORE THE TIRE IS USED.

Operating with low tire pressure will damage the drive train and tires

Check several times a year

Refer to the decal on the tire or the tire pressure chart in the owners manual

TIRE PRESSURE CHART

Span Drive Units			
Tire Size	Pounds per Square Inch	Kilo pascal	Bar
(Inches)	(PSI)	(kPa)	(bar)
11 X 22.5 Tire	34	234	2.3
11.2 X 24 Tire	34	234	2.3
14.9 X 24 Float Tire	18	124	1.2
14.9 X 24 Turf Tire	18	124	1.2
16.9 X 24 Turf Tire	18*	124	1.2
18.4 X 26 Tire	16	110	1.1
11.2 X 38 Tire	23	158	1.5
11L X 15 Implement Tire (4 Wheel E-Z Tow Only)	30	206	2.1





▲ **WARNING**
MAX. INFLATION PRESS. 35 PSI
THIS TIRE AND RIM FOR
CENTER PIVOT USE ONLY
VALLEY
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WHEEL RUTS



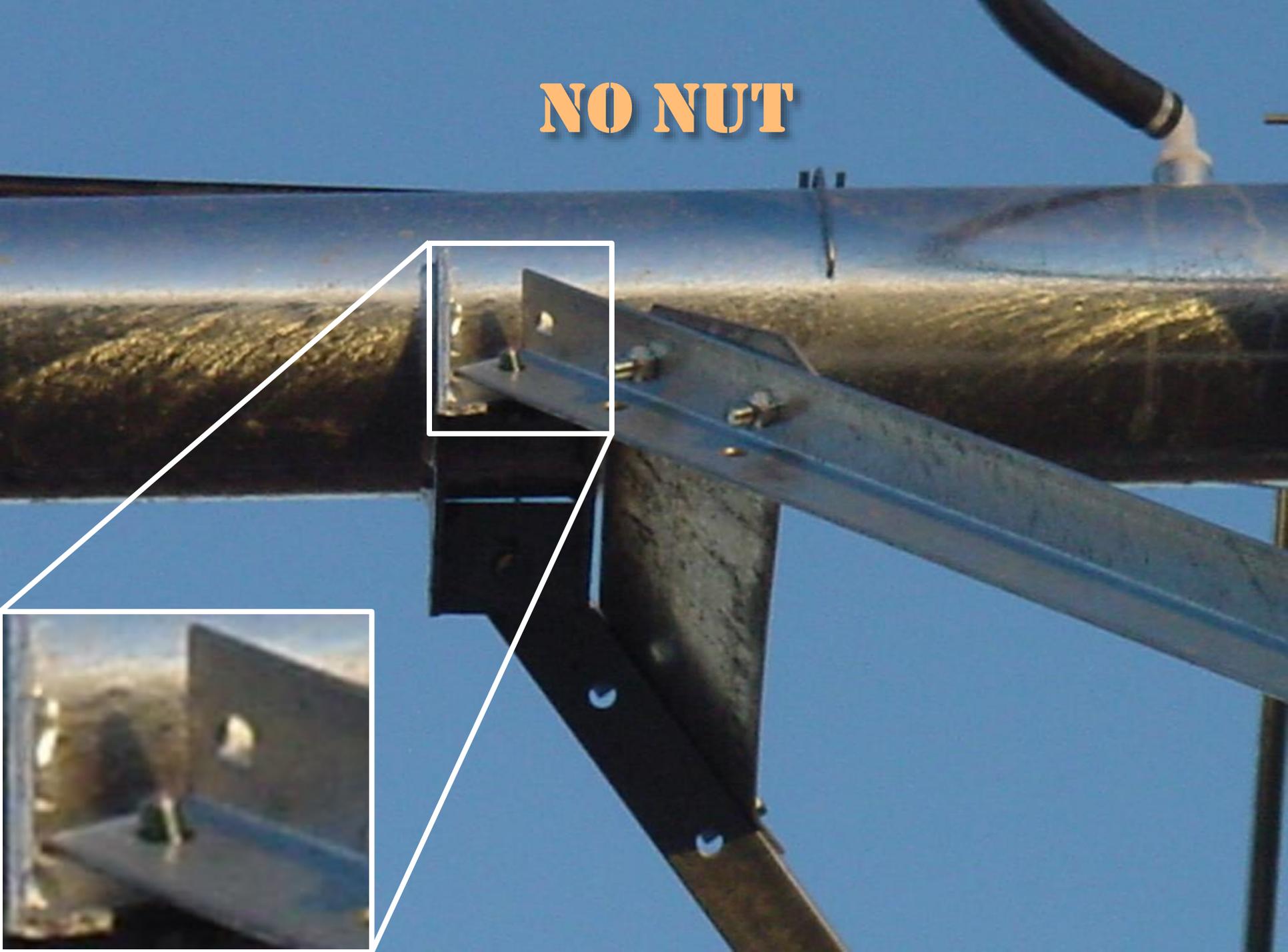
WHEEL RUT MAINTENANCE



LOOSE BOLT



NO NUT



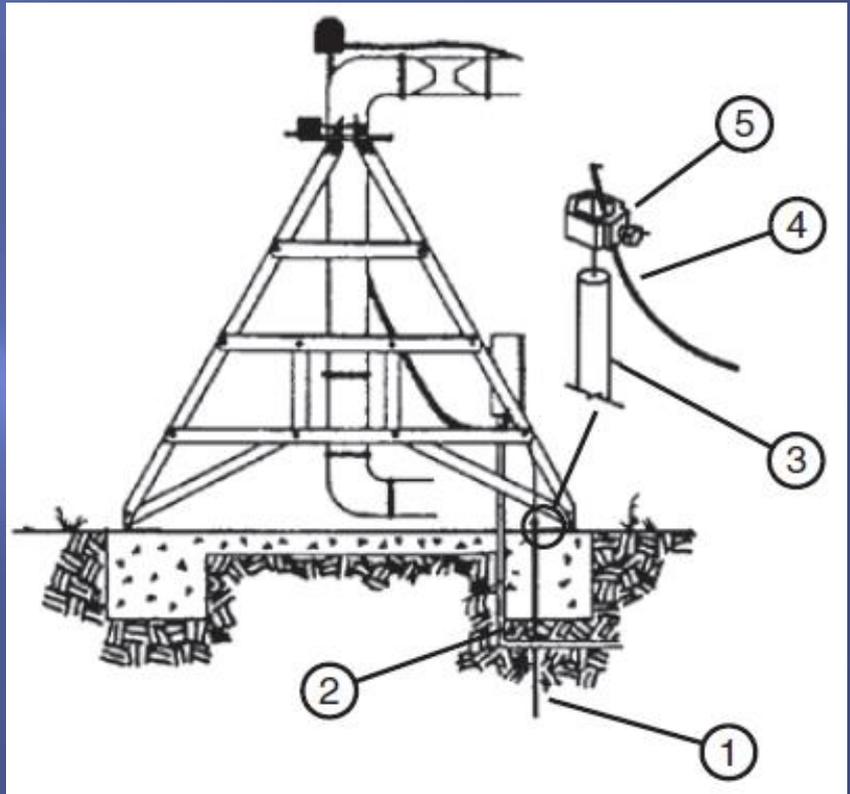
LOOSE BOLT



ELECTRICAL AND GROUNDING

Check the condition of all electrical and grounding conductors regularly

Have a qualified Valley dealer make any necessary repairs



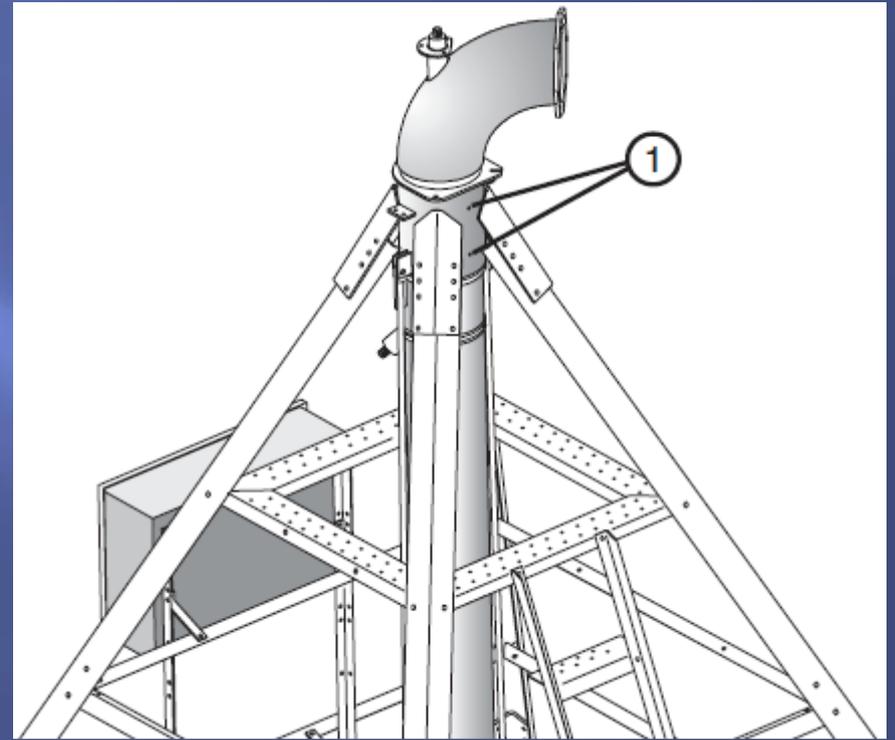
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| 1. Ground Rod Installation | 4. Copper Ground Wire |
| 2. Service Conductor | 5. Clamp |
| 3. Copper Ground Rod | |

Ground Wire Connection to Ground Rod

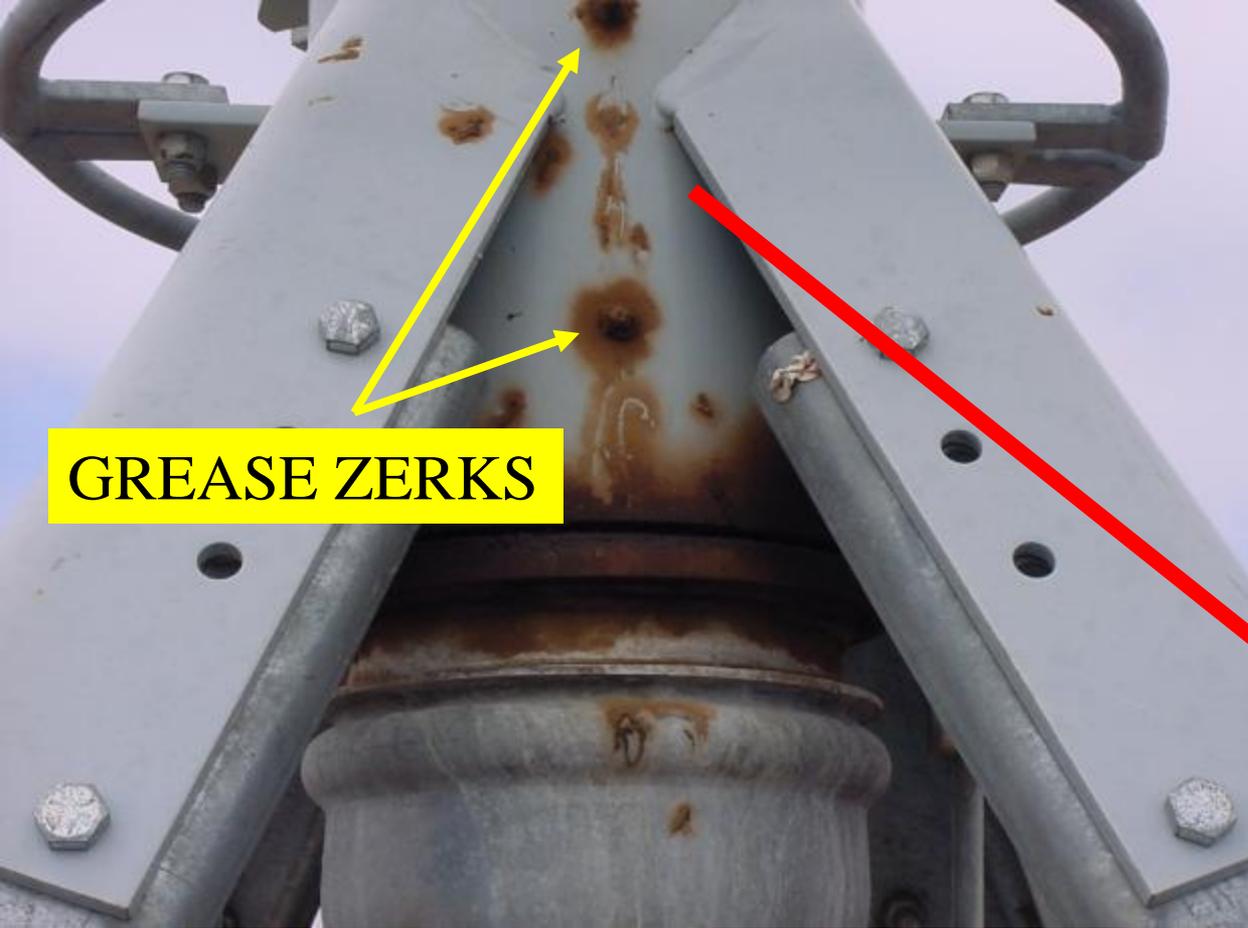


PIVOT SWIVEL LUBRICATION

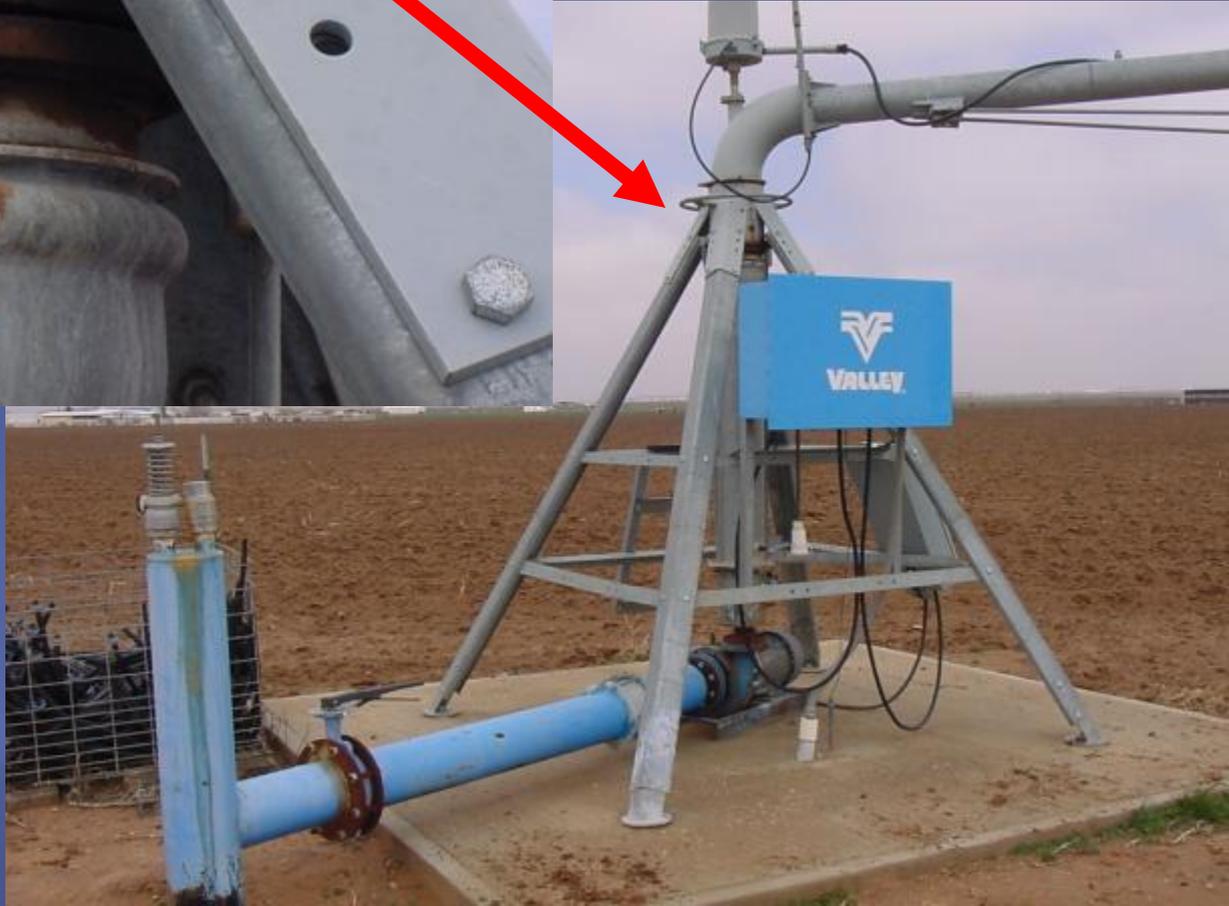
Grease every 5 to 7 revolutions with water resistant lithium based grease



1. Grease Fitting



GREASE ZERKS



MACHINE ALIGNMENT

The machine is aligned when it is installed and should not require adjustment

Alignment should be inspected annually and adjusted by a qualified Valley dealer before there are wheel tracks

Changes in alignment could indicate a problem that should be properly evaluated

A Trailing bow is never acceptable and may result in severe structural damage



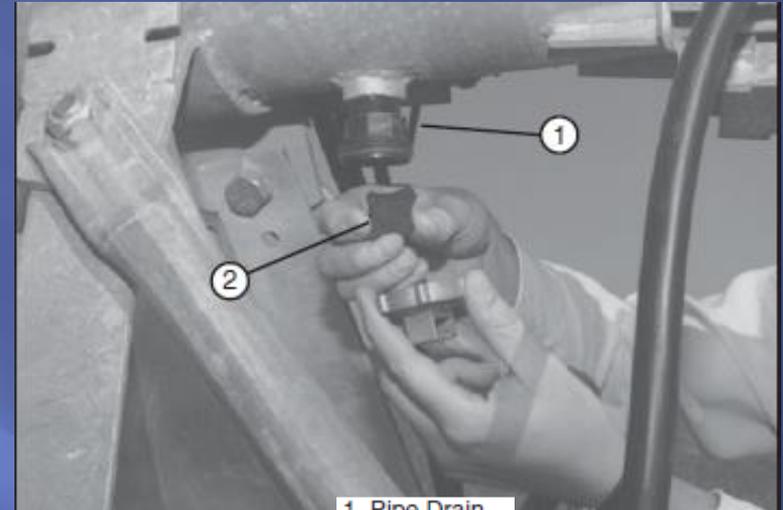
**DO NOT CHANGE ALIGNMENT WITH
ESTABLISHED WHEEL TRACKS**

SPAN FLUSHING

Remove the drains at each tower, the sand trap at the last regular drive unit, and any overhang plugs

Start the pump and allow the machine to flush

Re-install drains, sand traps, and overhang plugs.



1. Pipe Drain
2. Rubber Seal



1. Sand Trap

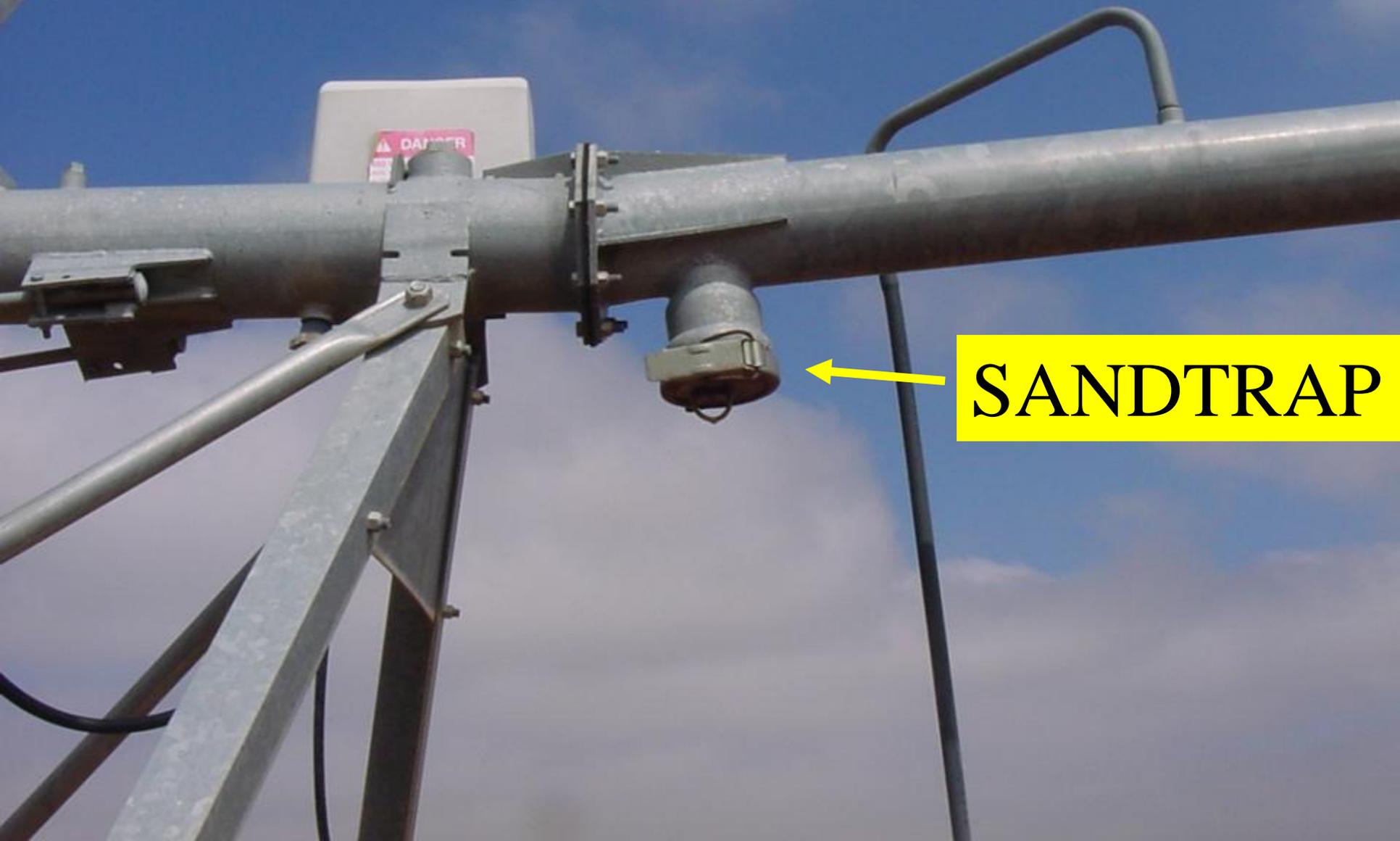








PERIODICALLY CLEAN SANDTRAP AND FLUSH OUT MACHINE, OFTEN IF SAND IS A PROBLEM!



SANDTRAP

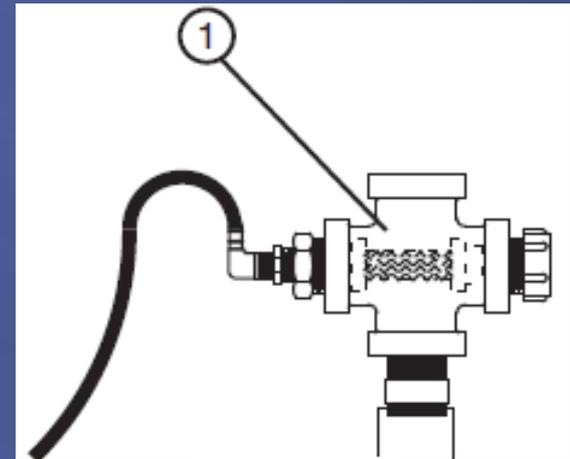


END GUN FILTER

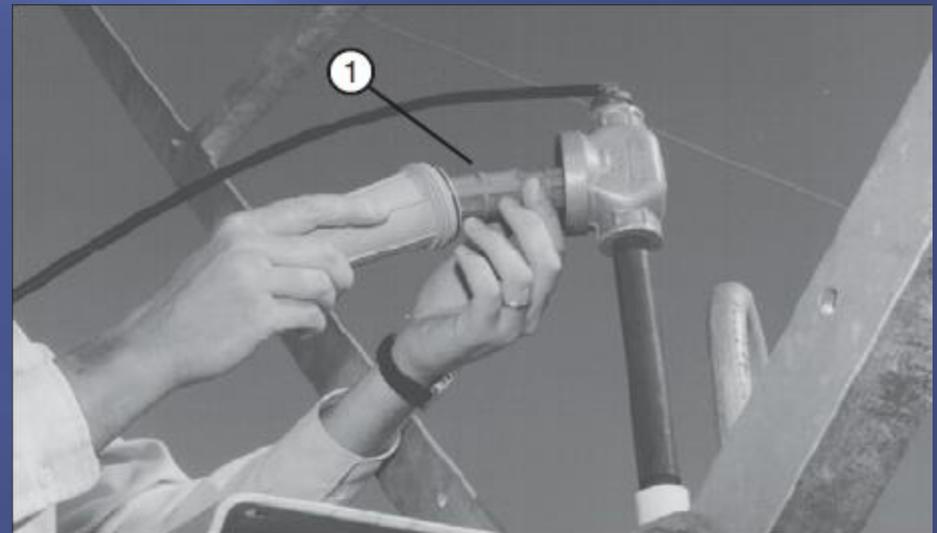
Clean the end gun shut off solenoid filter annually or as necessary depending on water conditions

The end gun will not shut completely off if filter is plugged

An air solenoid control upgrade is available if filter plugging is problematic



1. Cross Filter



1. Optional Dirty Water Filter



WINTERIZATION

- ▣ Underground pipe must be drained below the frost line. Re-install plugs to prevent rodents.
- ▣ Additional winterizing facts which are common to your area may be suggested by your dealer.
- ▣ Contact your dealer if you have any questions or comments concerning winterizing procedures.

PARKING THE MACHINE

- ▣ Where extreme temperature variances occur at a minimum the following should be done for winterizing and additional steps may be necessary for longer machines.
 - Park the machine where wheel tracks have been eliminated
 - Run the machine monthly as the temperature changes as long as the temperature is above 40° F
 - Contact your dealer for other winter storage/parking information and tips

REGULAR MAINTENANCE

- ▣ Time, humidity, vibration, temperature, sand, and machine operation all contribute to wear on your Valley irrigation machine. To keep the machine operating properly with a minimum amount of down time, establish a regular preventative maintenance program using the recommended maintenance charts in your owners manual.
- ▣ If replacement parts are needed, use only genuine Valley RealParts™.

PIVOT CHECKLIST

Pivot						
	Pre season	1st Pass	4th Pass	Mid season	Post season	Remarks
Check all nuts and bolts. Tighten as required.	X			X		
Check anchor bolts or chains.	X			X		If your pivot is towable, check the grounding conductor hook-ups prior to start up each time the pivot is towed.
Check equipment grounding conductors. Tighten or clean as required.	X			X		
Grease pivot swivel.	X		X	X		
Check condition of power and pump shutdown wires.	X			X		For your safety, call your local Valley dealer. for immediate replacement or repair of any broken conduit or wire with cracked insulation.
Check collector ring base drain for proper drainage.	X			X	X	
Visually check pivot contactors for arcing. Insure disconnect is in the OFF position.	X			X		Burned or pitted contact points indicate low voltage. Check generator belts for proper tension.
Drain riser assembly.	X				X	
Check placement of screens on the generator, pump panel, and electric motors (used to prevent rodent damage)	X			X	X	
Check tire pressure.	X			X	X	Check at least one time during the operating season.
Check condition of electrical conductor.	X			X	X	Replace if frayed, worn, or weather checked.

SPAN CHECKLIST

Span						
	Pre season	1st Pass	4th Pass	Mid season	Post season	Remarks
Check all nuts and bolts. Tighten as required.	X			X		
Check flanges for leaks and tighten as required.	X			X		
Check pipe drains for proper drainage and invert the seal when applicable. Clean as required. See Winterization procedure.	X			X	X	
Check structural components for tightness.	X			X		
Check span cable for damage.	X			X		Replace or repair cable if chaffed or weather checked.
Check span cable for proper banding.	X			X		Replace bands and adjust span cable as required.

SPRINKLER CHECKLIST

Sprinkler						
	Pre season	1st Pass	4th Pass	Mid season	Post season	Remarks
Check the water pressure to make sure it matches the sprinkler package pressure.	X		X	X		Notify your local Valley dealer of any changes.
Check sprinklers and nozzles for tightness.	X			X		
Check sprinkler for free movement.	X			X		
Check sprinkler nozzles for wear.	X		X	X		
Check pressure gauge or pressure transducer for proper operation.	X			X		
Check for plugged or partially plugged nozzles.	X	X	X	X		Clean as required.
Flush entire machine.	X				X	See the Span Flushing Procedure and Winterization in the Maintenance section
Check end gun bearing and brake setting.	X				X	
Ensure the booster pump hose is drained.					X	

ALIGNMENT CHECKLIST

Alignment						
	Pre season	1st Pass	4th Pass	Mid season	Post season	Remarks
Check all nuts and bolts. Tighten as required.	X			X		
Check connection of grounding bond jumpers.	X			X		
Visually check for contactor wear and/or pitting. Make sure the power is OFF.	X					Pitted or burned contact points indicate low voltage.
Visually check the surge suppressor connection.	X					
Align the pivot and check all safety switches.						As needed. Call your local Valley dealer.
Check for proper safety microswitch position.						As needed. Call your local Valley dealer.

END OF MACHINE CHECKLIST

Overhang/End Gun/Booster Pump						
	Pre season	1st Pass	4th Pass	Mid season	Post season	Remarks
Check overhang cables for broken cable strands.	X			X		Replace if cables are damaged.
Clean and ensure operation of the end gun drain.	X			X	X	Clean as required.
Check and clean the sand trap.				X	X	As needed. See Winterization in the Maintenance section.
Check the end gun arc settings.	X			X		Refer to the sprinkler chart.
Check the end gun bearing and brake.	X			X		
Check the end gun nozzle for wear.	X					
Drain the booster pump and ensure that the booster pump is drained completely.					X	See Winterization in the Maintenance section.

DRIVE UNIT CHECKLIST

Drive Unit						
	Pre season	1st Pass	4th Pass	Mid season	Post season	Remarks
Check the flex joint hose for leaks.	X			X		Tighten clamps or replace as required.
Check the motor lead cable for damage.	X			X		Contact your local Valley dealer if the outer insulating sheath is cracked.
Check for proper ground connection on motor and motor lead.	X			X		
Check the motor drain hole for proper drainage.	X			X		
Check and change the center drive gearbox lubricant. Drain moisture.	X				X	See the Center Drive Gearbox in the Maintenance section.
Check the center drive gearbox seals and gaskets.	X					
Check the wheel gearbox lubricant level and drain moisture.	X				X	See the Wheel Gearboxes in the Maintenance section.
Change the wheel gearbox lubricant.	X					Change after the first season and then change every third season thereafter.
Check the wheel gearbox seals and gaskets.	X					
Check the drive shaft U-joints. Check the U-joint and drive shaft covers for damage.	X					Replace covers as required
Check the wheel lug nut torque. Tighten to 125 ft. lb (169 N·m) torque.	X				X	
Check the tire pressure.	X			X	X	See the Tire Pressure Chart in the Maintenance section.
Check the ARAS/EOFS arms for proper operation.	X			X		
Grease the towable hubs.	X			X	X	See Towable Hub Lubrication in the Maintenance section.





NEW BIRD HOUSE







Tighten Boot Bands To Prevent Leaks



**A LITTLE BIT OF PREVENTIVE
MAINTENANCE NOW, WILL HELP
DECREASE DOWN TIME WHEN
IRRIGATION IS CRITICAL!!!!**

