

WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN

Stage 1

Water Use Efficiency is a Way of Life



VOLUNTARY ACTION

Shortage Response Actions

- Operators of hotels, motels, and other commercial establishments offering lodgings shall post in each room a notice of water shortage conditions, encouraging water conservation practices.
- Lodging establishment must offer opt out of linen service.
- Require covers for pools and spas.
- Watering to maintain the level of water in swimming pools shall occur only when essential.
- Draining of pools or refilling shall be done only for health or safety reasons.
- Non-potable irrigation is encouraged with no restrictions.
- Irrigation of parks, school ground areas, and road median landscaping will not be permitted more than twice a week and only if necessary.
- Irrigation of ornamental turf on public medians with potable water is prohibited.
- New landscaping should be limited to native or drought tolerant plants.
- Watering or irrigating of lawns, landscape or other vegetated area with potable water is limited to no more than 15 minutes per day per station.

Water Waste Prohibitions (WWP) - Mandatory at All Times

- Landscape irrigation shall be accomplished with person in attendance; occur between 6pm and 10am; be limited to water necessary to maintain landscaping; be applied in a manner that prevents runoff.
- No application of potable water to outdoor landscapes within 48 hours before, during, or after a measurable rainfall event.
- Washing of impervious surfaces, including vehicles, with potable water is prohibited unless utilizing high-pressure, low-volume systems.
- Leaks on customer side of meter shall be shut-off within two hours of discovery and corrected within an additional 6 hours.
- Use of potable water from the district's water supply system for compacting or dust control purposes is prohibited.
- Using unmetered water from any fire hydrant, except as required for fire suppression is prohibited.
- Restaurants shall serve water to customers only upon request.

Enforcement

Staff issues written citations for violations of shortage response actions. No fines except for WWP.

Shortage Indicators *As a % of Average*

Dry Season Start: June or later
SS4/9P2 Gradient: > 100%
Well Levels: > 100%
Rainfall Totals: 86% to 100%

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