
7.44.030 Drought restrictions.

In addition to the permanent water restrictions set forth in Section 7.44.020, the City Council may impose the following restrictions after a public hearing, notice of which shall be published not less than ten (10) days before the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation within the City:

- A. **Stage 1 Water Shortage.** Upon declaration of a stage 1 water shortage, the following restrictions shall apply to the use of water from the City's water system:
 - 1. Landscape irrigation using potable water shall be limited to no more than fifteen (15) minutes per watering zone per watering day.
 - 2. Landscape watering with potable water shall be limited to three (3) times per week between:
 - a. 6:00 p.m. on Monday and 9:00 a.m. the following Tuesday;
 - b. 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday and 9:00 a.m. the following Thursday; and
 - c. 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and 9:00 a.m. the following Sunday.
 - 3. This subsection shall not apply to any drip irrigation system, irrigation system maintenance, leak repair or new planting of low water usage plants or if reclaimed water is utilized as permitted by law.
- B. **Stage 2 Water Shortage.** Upon declaration of a stage 2 water shortage, the following restrictions shall apply to the use of water from the City's water system:
 - 1. No landscape watering with potable water unless a timed sprinkler system is installed or watering is done with a handheld device.
 - 2. Landscape watering with potable water shall be limited to two (2) times per week for not more than fifteen (15) minutes per watering zone from:
 - a. 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday and 9:00 a.m. the following Thursday; and
 - b. 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and 9:00 a.m. the following Sunday.
 - 3. This subsection shall not apply to any drip irrigation system, irrigation system maintenance, leak repair or new planting of low water usage plants or if reclaimed water is utilized as permitted by law.
- C. **Stage 3 Water Shortage.** Upon declaration of a Stage 3 Water Shortage, the following restrictions shall apply to the use of water from the City's water system:
 - 1. Washing of vehicles is prohibited, except at commercial car washes or by mobile high pressure/low volume commercial services.
 - 2. Landscape watering with potable water shall be limited to two times per week for not more than eight (8) minutes per watering zone from:
 - a. 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday and 9:00 a.m. the following Thursday; and
 - b. 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and 9:00 a.m. the following Sunday.
 - 3. This subsection shall not apply to any drip irrigation system, irrigation system maintenance, leak repair or new planting of low water usage plants or if reclaimed water is utilized as permitted by law."
- D. **Stage 4 Water Shortage.** Upon declaration of a stage 4 water shortage, the following restrictions shall apply to the use of water from the City's water system:

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1. Washing of vehicles is prohibited, except at commercial car washes or by mobile high pressure/low volume commercial services.
 2. Home reverse osmosis treatment units and water softeners shall be disconnected or turned off.
 3. Watering of nonpublic playing fields with potable water is prohibited.
 4. Landscape watering with potable water shall be limited to one (1) time per week only by drip irrigation, hand held hoses, or if reclaimed water is utilized as permitted by law as follows:
 - a. Even numbered addresses from 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday to 9:00 a.m. the following Thursday, and
 - b. Odd numbered addresses from 6:00 p.m. on Saturday to 9:00 a.m. the following Sunday.
 5. This subsection shall not apply to any drip irrigation system, irrigation system maintenance, leak repair or new planting of low water usage plants or if reclaimed water is utilized as permitted by law.
- E. **Stage 5 Water Shortage or Above.** Upon declaration of a stage 5 water shortage, the following restrictions shall apply to the use of water from the City's water system:
1. Washing of vehicles is prohibited, except at commercial car washes or by mobile high pressure/low volume commercial services.
 2. Home reverse osmosis treatment units and water softeners shall be disconnected or turned off.
 3. Filling of residential swimming pools or spas with potable water is prohibited.
 4. Landscape irrigation with potable water is prohibited, except with a watering can using water captured from indoor use.
 5. Any additional water conservation measures adopted by the Director of Public Works or his or her designee deemed necessary for the preservation of public health, safety, and welfare.
 6. This subsection shall not apply to any drip irrigation system, irrigation system maintenance, leak repair or new planting of low water usage plants or if reclaimed water is utilized as permitted by law.
- F. **Exceptions.** The provisions of this section are not applicable to the uses of water that are necessary to protect public health and safety or for essential services, such as police, fire, and other similar emergency services. The provisions of this section also do not apply to non-potable water, such as recycled or reclaimed water.

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