

DECLARATION OF STAGE 1 WATER SHORTAGE

PUBLIC HEARING



IMPORTATION OF WATER

- Currently 96%
- Supplier is MWD, via West Basin
- Two primary sources water:
 - The Colorado River System
 - State Water Project



COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM

July 2021

U.S. Bureau of
Reclamation
Announcement

Lake Mead at a record
low at 35%

August 2021

First-ever Colorado River
water shortage declared



STATE WATER PROJECT

December 2021

Department of Water Resources
announcement:

“Agencies should expect a zero
percent allocation in 2022”



GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION

October 2021

Governor Newsom amended the state of emergency to include Los Angeles County



ACTIONS BY WATER SUPPLIERS

November 9, 2021

MWD declared a Regional Drought Emergency.

November 22, 2021

West Basin escalated from Level 1 to Level 3.



PROPOSED CITY RESPONSE

Declaration of a **Stage 1 Water Shortage** and imposing drought restrictions in accordance with Municipal Code Section 7.44 to preserve state and local water supplies.



MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 7.44

Stage 1 Water Shortage Drought Restrictions

Landscape irrigation using potable water shall be **limited to no more than fifteen (15) minutes** per watering zone per watering day.

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.

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.



FISCAL IMPACT

- None at this time
- Public outreach via utility bill inserts and web/social media
- Funding currently available for this purpose
- Additional funds may be requested during FY22/23 budget process



PUBLIC OUTREACH

- Notice published in local newspapers
 - The Daily Breeze on December 31, 2021
 - The Beach Reporter on January 6, 2022
- West Basin's Super-Cali-Frugalistic campaign.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Status of MWD

- Sufficient reserves are available to meet member needs in 2022

Local Preparation

- Peck Reservoir and water treatment plant
- Plan to get to 20% self-reliance



STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution No. 22-0011 declaring a **Stage 1 Water Shortage** and imposing drought restrictions in accordance with Municipal Code Section 7.44 to preserve state and local water supplies.

