

## **Outdoor Watering Restrictions in Place**

#### Why do we have water restrictions?

We had two wells out of service due to emergency maintenance and repairs reducing our water production almost in half.

### What happened to the wells?

Well 17 was in the process of being re-drilled and the driller could not get the work done before July. Then Well 21 experienced an electrical outage and the motor and wiring were damaged. This required the motor and wiring to be pulled and replaced.

### How long before the water pumping and wells will be back to normal?

If everything goes according to plan, we hope the wells and water production will be back to normal by the end of July or early August.

# Why do we need to go into water restrictions stages now?

Due to the lower water production, the extreme heat, and the lack of rain during this Monsoon Season, water use is extremely high. Without the normal water production due to the issues with the wells we have to ensure we have enough water for drinking and fire fighting in the communities. If the water pressure gets below 25 pounds per square



inch the state will require a "boil water notice" be given to all people in the community. If the water pressure and water tank storage drop to low levels the fire department will not have sufficient water to respond to building fires.

#### What can I do to save water during the restrictions?

We need people to reduce their culinary/potable water use until we can get the water storage tanks back to normal levels and finish getting the Well 17 operating again. Please look at the following lists on ways to save or conserve water:

- Turning off the faucet when you brush your teeth can save 70 gallons or more per month.
- **Taking shorter showers**. Reducing your shower time by just one minute can save as much as 75 gallons per month.
- Fixing a leaky faucet with even a little drip five drops per minute can save more than 200 gallons of water per year.
- Replacing your toilet or washing machine with high-efficiency models.
- Installing water-saving faucet aerators, high-efficiency shower heads, shutoff hose nozzles, and leak detection dye tablets.

#### **Outdoor Usage Tips**

- Shut-off nozzles are required on hoses for car washing.
- Washing hard surfaces, such as power washing a driveway, is prohibited.
- Runoff from landscape irrigation is prohibited.



- The use of culinary/potable water for construction and dust control is prohibited.
- The use of culinary/potable water for street washing is prohibited.
- The use of culinary/potable water for irrigation of ornamental turf on public street medians is prohibited.
- Filling of ornamental lakes or ponds is prohibited.
- Even addresses water on even numbered days, odd addresses water on odd numbered days. No watering between 9 am to 6 pm.
- Water ONLY on your designated day and limit the time to 5-7 minutes.
- No new lawns may be planted during the restrictions.

Please contact your Water Provider for more ways to help during the restrictions.