

City of Universal City

Drought Response Plan - Stage III

Water Restrictions Are Now In Effect

The J-17 monitoring well in Bexar County has reached 640 ft. msl based on a 10 day rolling average, which is the trigger level for Stage III water restrictions. The Edwards Aquifer Authority has imposed significant percentage reductions on the city's annual water use while we are in critical period drought stages.

Under threat of penalty for violation, the following water use limitations shall apply to all persons.

- All of the limitations and prohibitions applicable in Stage I and II apply in Stage III unless otherwise specified.
- Water customers shall comply with mandatory limits of landscape irrigation. Watering days will be based on the last digit of the address:

<u>Last Digit of Address</u>	<u>Day</u>
0&1	Monday
2&3	Tuesday
4&5	Wednesday
6&7	Thursday
8&9	Friday

- Landscape irrigation using a soaker hose, hose-end sprinkler or in-ground sprinkler system, is allowed only once a week on the designated water day assigned in Stages I and II during the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- Landscape irrigation with a drip irrigation system or five (5) gallon bucket is allowed on every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday only during the Stage III hours of 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Landscape irrigation with a handheld hose is allowed at any time on any day. **AN UNATTENDED HANDHELD HOSE WILL BE CONSIDERED THE SAME AS SPRINKLERS.**
- Residential car washing and mobile equipment (e.g. washing vehicles at a residence) is permitted only on Saturday and Sunday with a pressure washer, handheld hose equipped with an automatic shut off nozzle or bucket of five (5) gallons or less, without waste. Fleet managers are encouraged to only wash those vehicles as is necessary for health and safety.
- No person may use groundwater for an ornamental outdoor fountain or similar feature.

- No residential or nonresidential property owners may use water to pressure wash an impervious outdoor ground covering such as a parking lot, driveway, street, or sidewalk unless for health or safety reasons.

Penalties

Any person who violates this Plan is guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, the person shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred fifty dollars (\$550.00) and not more than seven hundred dollars (\$700.00) during Stage III.

Termination of Stage III

Stage III of the Plan may be rescinded when the Edwards Aquifer Index Well , J-17, maintains a level of 640 ft.-msl for ten (10) consecutive days. Upon termination of Stage III, Stage II becomes operative.

A copy of the entire ordinance is available online at the Universal City web site <http://www.universalcitytexas.com/> , click on the Public Works section or call the Public Works office at (210) 658-5364.