

§ 51.17 DROUGHT RESPONSE STAGES.

The Mayor, or his/her designee, shall monitor water supply and/or demand conditions on a daily basis and, in accordance with the triggering criteria set forth in § 51.16, shall determine that a mild, moderate, severe or emergency condition exists and shall implement the following actions upon publication of notice in a newspaper of general circulation.

(A) *Stage 1 - Mild Water Shortage Conditions.*

(1) *Goal.* Reduce daily water demand to less than four million gallons per day.

(2) *Supply management measures.* The city will discontinue flushing of fire hydrants and water mains (except as necessary in repair of broken water lines) and will only irrigate landscape areas on designated watering days.

(3) *Water use restrictions.* Under threat of penalty for violation, the following water use restrictions shall apply to all persons.

(a) Customers are requested to voluntarily conserve water and limit irrigation of landscaped areas to two days per week. The days of the week are left up to the customers.

(b) Use of water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle is prohibited, except on designated watering days. Such washing, when allowed, shall be done with a hand-held bucket or a hand held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle for quick rinses. Vehicle washing may be done at any time on the immediate premises of a commercial car wash or commercial service station. Further, such washing may be exempted from these regulations if the health, safety and welfare of the public is contingent upon frequent vehicle cleansing, such as garbage trucks and vehicles used to transport food and perishables.

(c) Use of water to fill, refill or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools or jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited except on designated watering days.

(d) Operation of any outside ornamental fountain or pond for aesthetic or scenic purposes is prohibited except where necessary to support aquatic life or where such fountains or ponds are equipped with a recirculation system.

(e) Use of water from hydrants shall be limited to firefighting, related activities or other activities necessary to maintain public health, safety and welfare, except that use of water from designated fire hydrants for construction purposes may be allowed under special permit from city.

(f) Use of water for the irrigation of golf course greens, tees and fairways and athletic fields is allowed on designated watering days. However, if the golf courses or athletic fields utilize a water source other than that provided by city, the facility shall not be subject to these regulations.

(g) The following uses of water are prohibited:

1. Wash down of any sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts or other hard-surfaced areas;
2. Use of water to wash down buildings or structures for purposes other than immediate fire protection;
3. Use of water for dust control;
4. Flushing street gutters or permitting water to run or accumulate in any street gutter or street or parking lot; and
5. Failure to repair a controllable leak(s) within a reasonable period after having been given notice directing the repair of such leak(s).
6. The serving of water by restaurants or other businesses without the request of the customer.