

Upon notification by the Barton Springs/ Edwards Aquifer Conservation District that the District has declared the aquifer to be in an **CRITICAL Stage Drought**, the City of Buda will activate the **Stage 2** measures of Article 24.06 of the Code of Ordinances.

The following measures are in effect for any period when stage 2 of the drought response plan has been implemented:

(1) Waste of water is prohibited.

(2) Outdoor irrigation shall be restricted as follows:

a. Outdoor Watering Twice-Per-Week Schedule

i. Odd-Numbered Residential: Wednesday and/or Saturday

ii. Even-Numbered Residential: Thursday and/or Sunday

iii. Commercial, Mixed Use and Multifamily: Tuesday and/or Friday

iv. It is recommended that outdoor watering be limited to one of the permitted watering days each week in order to promote conservation.

b. Outdoor watering with hand-held bucket, hand-held hose with a positive shutoff device, soaker hose and/or drip irrigation systems is restricted to the Outdoor Watering Twice-Per-Week Schedule and shall be prohibited between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

c. Irrigation of vegetable gardens is allowed any day, but prohibited between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

d. Outdoor watering use at golf courses, athletic fields and city facilities shall be reduced by fifteen percent of consumption based on the last month's billing prior to the implementation of any drought stage.

e. Commercial nurseries are subject to the time restrictions when using automated irrigation systems, but may operate on any day. Use of hand-held bucket, hand-held hose with a positive shutoff device, soaker hose and/or drip irrigation systems are permitted at any time on any day.

f. Except as provided in Subsections b-d, a person may not irrigate outdoors at a residential facility, multifamily facility, mixed use facility or a commercial facility between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

- g. A person may not irrigate outdoors at a residential facility except on a designated outdoor water use day, or as provided in Subsection b and c, and time as provided in Subsection f.
- h. Date and time restrictions for irrigation does not apply during repair or testing of a new or existing irrigation system if the person performing the testing is present.

(3) Vehicle Washing.

- a. Charity car washes are prohibited unless held at a commercial car wash.
- b. Non-commercial vehicle washing is allowed, but must comply with the Twice-Per-Week outdoor watering schedule before 10:00 a.m. and after 7:00 p.m., and use a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff device.
- c. Commercial vehicle washing is allowed on any day and at any time.

(4) Filling of new swimming pools is prohibited. Make-up of existing swimming pools is allowed. Swimming pool surfaces shall be covered at least 25 percent when not in use.

(5) Operation of non-recirculating aesthetic water features is prohibited at all times.

(6) Washing of impervious surfaces is prohibited unless required for health and safety use.

(7) Foundation watering is allowed on any day and at any time. However, foundation watering shall not result in saturation to the point it causes pooling in the yard or runoff onto impervious surfaces, adjacent property, drainage facilities (natural or man-made), sidewalks or streets.

(8) Other non-essential water uses are allowed but all reasonable measures shall be taken to limit the use.

(9) *Construction Water.* Construction water used for non-potable needs, such as dust suppression, shall utilize alternative sources of water such as rainwater, gray water and reclaimed water to the maximum extent available. The City Manager may cap withdrawals from construction meters connected to the City water system.