

We are under a Drought Watch. What does a Drought Watch mean? A **DROUGHT WATCH** seeks voluntarily reduction of nonessential water use.

During this drought watch, we all face the critical challenge of conserving our water resources to ensure that they are available for essential use and to help protect the environment. We are committed to maintaining a reliable water supply for our community, but we need your help to make that possible. Droughts place significant strain on our water systems. Without the cooperation of every resident, the impact of water shortages could be more severe. Below are some simple yet effective steps you can take to reduce your water consumption during this time:

1. Fix and Report Leaks Promptly

- A leaking faucet or toilet can waste gallons of water every day. Check your plumbing for leaks and report/repair them as soon as possible.

2. Check Heat Tape

- Ensure your heat tape is working properly to prevent frozen pipes. Letting water run to prevent pipes from freezing is not an option.

3. Take Shorter Showers

- Reducing shower time by just a few minutes can save hundreds of gallons per month. Consider using a low-flow showerhead for additional savings. Similarly, turn off water while brushing teeth, washing face/hands, shaving, etc.

4. Full Loads Only

- Run appliances such as dishwashers and washing machines only with full loads. This reduces water usage while still getting your cleaning done efficiently. When washing dishes by hand, **fill the sink basin** instead of running water continuously.

5. Use Water-Efficient Fixtures

- Installing low-flow toilets, faucets, and showerheads is a quick way to reduce water usage without sacrificing comfort.

6. Educate Others

- Share water-saving tips with your neighbors, friends, and family. If everyone works together, we can make a significant impact.

7. Report Suspicious Water Usage

- If you notice a neighbor using water wastefully, kindly encourage them to take action or notify us. Together, we can all contribute to saving this precious resource.

We understand that adjusting habits may take some time, but each small change you make can contribute to a more sustainable water future for our community.

Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to conserving water during this critical period. Together, we can help ensure that our community remains resilient even in the face of drought.