

Llano County MUD #1

Water Conservation Stages

MANDATORY - Stage 2 - RESTRICTIONS AND PENALTIES

Effective August 24, 2011

"In conjunction with the prohibition of watering between 10:00 am and 7:00 p.m. outdoor watering shall be restricted to twice per week between midnight and 7:00 a.m. and between 7:00 p.m. and midnight twice per week on the following Outdoor Watering Days.

Residential Customers - Odd Numbered Address

Wednesday and / or Saturdays

Residential Customers - Even Numbered Address

Thursday and / or Sundays

This prohibition does not apply to irrigation of landscaped areas if it is by means of:
a hand-held hose; or a faucet-filled bucket or watering can of five gallons or less

Vehicle Washing:

Use of water to wash any motor vehicle, such as a motorbike, boat, trailer, or airplane is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of midnight and 10 a.m. and between 7 p.m. and midnight. Such activity, when allowed, shall be done with a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle. A vehicle may be washed any time at a commercial car wash facility or commercial service station. Further, this activity is exempt from these regulations if the health, safety, and welfare of the public are served by washing the vehicle, such as a truck used to collect garbage or used to transport food and perishables.

Pools:

Filling of all new and existing swimming pools, hot tubs, wading pools, is prohibited. Replenishing to maintenance level is permitted. Draining is permitted only onto pervious surfaces or onto a surface where water will be transmitted directly to a pervious surface, and only if:

- ** Draining excess water from pool due to rain in order to lower water to maintenance level;
- ** Repairing, maintaining or replacing pool components that have become hazardous; or
- ** Repair of a pool leak.

Outside Water Features

Operation of outside water features, such as, but not limited to, fountains, splash pad type fountains or outdoor misting systems, is prohibited, except where such features are used to sustain aquatic life or maintain water quality. (This provision includes fountains associated with aesthetic ponds and swimming pools).

Ponds:

Ponds used for aesthetic, amenity, and/or storm water purposes may maintain water levels only necessary to preserve the integrity of the liner and operating system. **Llano County MUD #1** may request specific design documentation regarding a pond and the intended purpose.

Fire Hydrants:

Use of water from fire hydrants shall be limited to firefighting and activities necessary to maintain public health, safety, and welfare.

Recreational areas (includes parks and athletic fields):

The areas can only be used for designated or scheduled events or activities. Unnecessary foot traffic must be discouraged. Watering must follow a no more than twice per week schedule. A variance can be obtained if watering cannot be completed on the designated two day schedule.

Water Waste:

The following non-essential uses of water are prohibited at all times during periods in which restrictions have gone into effect:

** Washing sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots, street, tennis courts, and other impervious surfaces is prohibited except for immediate health and safety;

** Washing buildings, houses or structures with a pressure washer or garden hose is prohibited for aesthetic purposes but allowable for surface preparation of maintenance work to be performed;

** Flushing gutters or flooding gutters is prohibited except for immediate health and safety

** Controlling dust is prohibited, unless there is a demonstrated need to do so for reasons of public health and safety, or as part of an approved construction plan.

ENFORCEMENT

The following enforcement provisions shall apply to all Llano County MUD #1 retail water customers:

No person shall knowingly or intentionally use or allow the use of water from **Llano County MUD #1's** water utility system for residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural, governmental, or any other purpose in a manner contrary to any provision of this Plan, or in an amount in excess of that permitted by the drought response stage in effect at the time.

Any person who violates this plan shall be subject to the following fines, penalties and/or conditions of service:

Following the first documented violation, the violator shall be given a notice specifying the type of violation and the date and time it was observed. Fines and restrictions on service that may result from additional violations;

Following the second documented violation, the violator shall: be subject to a civil penalty of \$100.00

Following the third documented violation, the violator shall: be subject to a civil penalty of \$300.00

Following the fourth documented violation, **Llano County MUD #1** shall, upon due notice to the customer, discontinue water service to the premises where such violations occur. Services discontinued under such circumstances shall be restored only upon payment of a reconnection charge, hereby established at **\$75.00**, and any outstanding charges including late payment fees or penalties. In addition, suitable assurance in the amount of a deposit of **\$300.00** must be given to **Llano County MUD #1** so that the same action shall not be repeated while the plan is in effect. **Llano County MUD #1** may apply the deposit to any surcharges or penalties subsequently assessed under this plan against a customer. The deposit, if any, shall be returned to the customer at the time of the customer's voluntary disconnection from the utility system.

Each day that one or more of the provisions in this plan is violated shall constitute a separate violation. Any person, including one classified as a water customer of **Llano County MUD #1**, in apparent control of the property where a violation occurs or originates, shall be presumed to be the violator. Any such person, however, shall have the right to show that he did not commit the violation.

The designated manager or official of **Llano County MUD #1** shall have the power to enforce the provisions of this Plan.

The municipal court shall have the power to issue to the designated manager or official of **Llano County MUD #1** administrative search warrants, or other process allowed by law, where necessary to aid in enforcing this Plan.

Judicial enforcement of fines and penalties issued pursuant to this Plan may be sought through a municipal court, district court or small claims court having jurisdiction over the matter.

Compliance with this Plan also may be sought through injunctive relief in state district court.

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