

Stage I Drought Water Saving Opportunities

Outdoor watering and irrigation

Lawn grass (residential, HOA, commercial, industrial, institutional)

Water no more than two days per week from 6:00 pm to 10:00 am

Agricultural water and golf courses

Notify and ask for reductions.

Water wise landscapes, native/adaptive, trees, shrubs, and perennials (private)

Handheld watering or drip irrigation no more than 2 days per week between 6:00 pm and 10:00 am.

New landscape establishment

Not recommended

Municipal streetscape

Handheld watering or drip irrigation no more than 2 days per week before 10:00 am.

Flowers and vegetables (private) and community gardens

Water efficiently no more than two days per week using handheld and drip irrigation only between 4:00 pm and 10:00 am.

Sport fields and parks

Irrigated per mandatory scheduling or water budget restrictions to achieve a 10% reduction.

Water Features

Swimming pools, hot tubs & other water features

Discourage frequent refilling.

Washing / Events

Cars – washing at home and charity events

With bucket or handheld hose with a nozzle that shuts off when not in use. If possible, ensure water runs off into landscape features.

Fleet vehicle washing

Once every two weeks.

Street cleaning

Reduce water used for street sweeping.

Driveway and sidewalk washing

Use dry clean methods and high efficiency equipment.

Commercial-Institutional Processes

Restaurants

Water served only on request.

Lodging

Change linens and towels only on request.

Mg chloride application / grading

Grade only after rain events.

Bulk water / Construction water

No waste of water.

Hydrants

Utilize restrictive gated devices. Minimize water main flushing.