

BUENA VISTA WATER SYSTEM
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Re: Mandatory Water Restrictions coming in August for all Customers of Buena Vista Water System

Dear Customer:

We have been notified by the Lower Colorado River Authority "LCRA" that the levels of the lake, the source of the water for Buena Vista, are falling quickly due to current drought conditions. Thus, it has triggered mandatory restrictions for all LCRA raw water customers.

The Required terms of the Drought Contingency Plan "DCP" for Buena Vista as approved by TCEQ and on file with LCRA are described as follows:

Stage 2 Response -- MODERATE Water Shortage Conditions

Target: Achieve a MANDATORY twenty percent (20%) reduction in total water use.

Best Management Practices for Supply Management:

Additional measures, if any, to be implemented directly by Buena Vista Water System to manage limited water supplies and/or reduce water demand. Examples may include: reduced or discontinued flushing of water mains, reduced or discontinued irrigation of public landscaped areas, use of an alternative supply source(s), and/or use of reclaimed water for non-potable purposes.

Water Use Restrictions for Demand Reduction:

Under threat of penalty for violation, the following water use restrictions shall apply to all persons:

- (a) Irrigation of landscaped areas with **hose-end sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems shall be limited to Sundays and Thursdays for customers with a street address ending in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6 or 8), and Saturdays and Wednesdays for water customers with a street address ending in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7 or 9)**, and irrigation of landscaped areas is further limited to the hours of 12:00 midnight until 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight on designated watering days. However, irrigation of landscaped areas is permitted at anytime if it is by means of a hand-held hose, a faucet filled bucket or watering can of five (5) gallons or less, or drip irrigation system.
- (b) **Use of water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight.** 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 rises. 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 are 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 between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight.**
- (d) **Operation of any 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 fire fighting, 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 the Buena Vista Water System.

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- (f) **Use of water for the irrigation of golf course greens, tees, and fairways is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours 12:00 midnight and 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight.** However, if the golf course utilizes a water source other than that provided by Buena Vista Water System, the facility shall not be subject to these regulations.
- (g) **All restaurants are prohibited from serving water to patrons except upon request of the patron.**
- (h) **The following uses of water are defined as non-essential and 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 gutters or permitting water to run or accumulate in any gutter or street; 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).

The terms of the above restrictions will be in place until further notice. If LCRA accelerates the DCP to Stage 3, we will inform each customer in writing. Please be advised that violations of this DCP will be monitored by the Buena Vista Operator as well as LCRA personnel.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jennifer Fultz

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