

VALLECITOS WATER DISTRICT – DROUGHT RESTRICTION OVERVIEW

LEVEL 1 – DROUGHT WATCH Conservation Practices*

All customers shall comply with the following drought measures:

- ❖ Stop washing down paved surfaces (except to alleviate sanitary hazards). Includes sidewalks, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts, or patios.
- ❖ Stop water waste from inefficient landscape irrigation.
- ❖ Irrigate landscapes before 10 a.m. and after 6 p.m.
- ❖ Use a hand-held hose with a shut-off nozzle or bucket to irrigate landscaped areas that are not watered by an automatic system.
- ❖ Use re-circulated water to operate ornamental fountains.
- ❖ Wash vehicles using a bucket and hand-held hose with shut-off nozzle, high pressure/low volume wash system, or at a commercial site that re-circulates water on site.
- ❖ Serve and refill water in restaurants only upon request. Offer hotel guests the option of not laundering towels and linens daily.
- ❖ Repair all water leaks within five days of notification by the District.
- ❖ Use recycled or non-potable water for construction purposes.

LEVEL 2 – DROUGHT ALERT Conservation Practices*

All customers shall comply with Level 1 drought measures, as well as the following:

- ❖ Residential and commercial landscape irrigation will be limited to no more than three unassigned days per week. (excludes commercial growers or nurseries)
- ❖ Irrigation using sprinklers will be limited to no more than 10 minutes per watering station per day (Systems using water-efficient devices are excluded.)
- ❖ All leaks must be repaired within 72 hours of notification by the District.
- ❖ Stop operation of ornamental fountains unless re-circulated water is used.

LEVEL 3 – DROUGHT CRITICAL Conservation Practices*

All customers shall comply with Level 1 & 2 drought measures, as well as the following:

- ❖ Residential and commercial landscape irrigation will be limited to two assigned days per week and no more than once a week from November through May (excludes commercial growers or nurseries).
- ❖ Stop refilling ornamental lakes or ponds, except to sustain aquatic life.
- ❖ Stop filling or refilling pools or spas.
- ❖ Stop washing vehicles except at commercial carwashes that re-circulate water.
- ❖ Repair all leaks within 48 hours of notification by the District.
- ❖ No new potable water service shall be provided.

LEVEL 4 – DROUGHT EMERGENCY Conservation Practices*

All customers shall comply with Level 1, 2 & 3 drought measures, as well as the following:

- ❖ Stop all landscape irrigation, and other outdoor watering for residential and commercial customers (excludes commercial growers or nurseries).
- ❖ Repair all leaks within 24 hours of notification by the District.

*See drought ordinance for more detailed information.