

Concord Community Water System, Inc.

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Water Conservation Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CONSERVATION OF WATER DURING A WATER SHORTAGE AND FOR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF WATER DURING MORE SEVERE SHORTAGES.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Concord Community Water System that a water shortage shall be deemed to exist when water demand by customers connected to the Corporation's water system reaches the point where continued or increased demand will equal or exceed the system supply and transmission capabilities. When demand results in the condition whereby customers cannot be supplied with water to protect their health and safety then the demand must be substantially curtailed to relieve the water shortage.

ARTICLE I

Declaration of Water Shortage

In the event it appears that water demand on the Corporation's water system may exceed supply and transmission capabilities, the System President may declare a Stage I Water Shortage Condition Advisory requesting voluntary water conservation by consumers. In the event that voluntary conservation measures fail to relieve the demand on the system the Corporation may advance to a Stage II or Stage III Water Shortage Condition. The System President, following consultation with the Board of Commissioners, may declare that a Stage II or Stage III Water Shortage Condition exists.

ARTICLE II

Stage I Water Shortage Condition

Section I:

In the event a Stage I Water Shortage Condition is declared the following guidelines shall apply:

- A: An extensive publicity campaign will be initiated using public media and specialized methods to inform the public of an impending or existing water shortage.
- B: Conservation measures will be encourage and recommended.

Section II:

In the event a Stage I Water Shortage Condition is declared the following guidelines shall apply and the public shall be encouraged to adhere to the following:

- A: Limit car washing to the minimum.
- B: Limit lawn and garden watering to that which is necessary
- C: Do not wash down outside areas such as sidewalks, patios, parking lots, service bays or aprons, etc.
- D: Do not leave faucets running while shaving or rinsing dishes.
- E: Water shrubbery to the minimum required reusing household water when possible.
- F: Limit use of clothes washer and dish washers and when used, operate fully loaded.
- G: Use of showers for bathing, rather than bathtub and limit showers to No more than four minutes.
- H: Limit flushing of toilets by multiple usages.
- I: The use of disposable and biodegradable dishes is encouraged.
- J: The use of flow restrictive and water saving devices.
- K: Limit hours of operation of water cooled air conditioners.
- L: All residents, businesses, and institutions are requested to temporarily Delay new landscape work until the water shortage has ended.

ARTICLE III
Stage II Water Shortage Condition

Section I: Compliance

In the event the Board President issues a declaration of a Stage II Water shortage Condition, then it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to use or permit the use of water from the System for any purpose hereinafter set forth until such time as the declaration of water shortage has been rescinded. In exercising the authority for declaring a water shortage condition consideration shall be given to water storage levels and available sources of supply, available usable storage on hand, drawdown rates, the projected supply capability, outlook for precipitation, daily water use patterns and availability of water from other sources.

Section II:

In the event a Stage I Water Condition is in effect and the Board President deems conditions to warrant the action a Stage II Water Shortage may be proclaimed. In addition to the new voluntary guidelines already in effect, it shall be unlawful to use water supplied by the System in the following manner:

- A. To water lawns, grass, shrubbery, trees, flowers and vegetable gardens
Except in accordance with the following schedule set forth below for specific areas of the System. Such watering shall be done by hand-held hose or container or drip irrigation system only.
- B. To fill newly constructed swimming and/or wading pools or refill swimming and/or wading pools which have been drained.
- C. To Wash automobiles, trucks, trailers, boats, airplanes, or any other type of mobile equipment, including commercial washing.
- D: To wash down outside areas such as streets, driveways, service station aprons, parking lots, office buildings, exteriors of existing or newly constructed homes or apartments, sidewalks, or patios, or to use water for other similar purposes.
- E. To use water from public or private fire hydrants for any purpose other than fire suppression or other public emergency.
- F. To operate or induce water into any ornamental fountain pool or pond or other structure making similar use of water.
- G. To serve drinking water in restaurants, cafeterias, or other food establishments, except upon request.
- H. To operate water cooled air conditioners or other equipment that does not recycle cooling water, except when health and safety are adversely affected.
- I. To use water for any unnecessary purpose or to intentionally waste water.

ARTICLE IV
STAGE III WATER SHORTAGE CONDITION

Section I: Compliance

In the event the Board President issues a declaration of State III Water Shortage Condition then it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to use or permit the use of water from the System for any purpose hereinafter set forth until such time as the declaration of water shortage condition consideration shall be given to water storage levels and available sources of supply, available usable storage on hand, drawdown rates, the projected supply capability, outlook for precipitation, daily water use patterns and availability of water from other sources.

Section II

In the event a Stage II Water Shortage Condition exists and the elevated storage tank drops to ten feet or less, than a Stage III Water Shortage may be declared. In addition to the restrictions for Stage I and Stage II Water Shortage Conditions the following restrictions shall also apply:

- a. To induce water into any pool.
- b. Use water outside a structure for any other than an emergency involving a fire.
- c. Fire protection to be maintained by drafting of ponds, rivers, wherever possible.
- d. The use of throw way utensils and plates is encouraged and recommended at all eating establishments.
- e. To operate an evaporative air conditioner which recycles water except during operating hours of business.

ARTICLE V

Section I: Lifting of Restrictions Imposed During A Water Shortage

- a. Water shortage conditions will expire when the Board President, after Consultation with the Board of Directors deems that the Conditions which caused the alert have abated.

ARTICLE VI

Section I: Penalties

Any violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall constitute a misdemeanor, punishable upon conviction by a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars.

ARTICLE VII

Section I: Discontinuance of Service

The System Water Conservation Ordinance allows for service to be temporarily discontinued for willful disregard of this ordinance and a One Hundred (100.00) dollar reconnect fee may be issued before restoration of service. In the event of continued gross non-compliance of this ordinance the removal of meter will be deemed proper and service will be disconnected and all tap fees and deposits forfeited. Reconnection will only be made by payment current due amounts, and new tap fees and deposits shall be paid.

ARTICLE VIII

Section I: Severability

If any section, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to such section, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this ordinance may be declared valid once effective.

Joseph H. Joplin
PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

Roger L. Harmon
SECRETARY