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Water Supply Reduction

February 09, 2012 – The City of Odessa’s raw water allocation from the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) has been reduced from 22.4 million gallons a day to 16 million gallons per day effective April 1. The City will implement additional restrictions to stay within those limits and ensure an ample water supply. These restrictions are voluntarily beginning March 1 and mandatory beginning April 1.

- Outdoor irrigation of landscaping will be limited to two (2) hours once a week
 - Residents and businesses with even address will be allowed to water on Tuesdays for any two (2) hours between 6 and 10 pm only.
 - Residents and businesses with odd address will be allowed to water on Thursdays for any two (2) hours between 6 and 10 pm only.
- Hand watering only. The hose must be equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle.
 - Hose end sprinklers and open ended hoses are prohibited.
- Drip irrigation and soaker hoses are permitted.
- Existing swimming pools can only be filled to replace normal water loss due to evaporation.
 - Permits for new swimming pools (either above or below ground) will be delayed until further notice.
- Fountains are prohibited
- Restaurants may only serve a glass of water upon request by the customer.

Previous restrictions remain in effect:

- Vehicle washing is limited to commercial and mobile car washing only.
 - No personal washing of vehicles.
- Washing down of sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots, streets and gutters is prohibited
- Washing down of building is prohibited, unless for fire protection.
- All water leaks must be repaired within a reasonable time frame

Water wells are exempt from the restrictions, but are subject to the City Nuisance Water Ordinance that prohibits the run off of water into public streets or alleys.

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Citizen cooperation and adherence to the water restrictions is imperative for our community's water supply. City staff is implementing measurements within the organization to reduce water usage while maintaining public parks and facilities. Xeriscaping and artificial turf are being installed at City Hall and slow drip water efficient devices are being installed to maintain trees within our community.

Future growth and development of the City is priority for City officials and they are working closely with CRMWD to secure other water sources and exploring other options.

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