

RESOLUTION 3206

A RESOLUTION OF THE WESTERN MUNICIPAL
WATER DISTRICT OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY
IMPLEMENTING SHORTAGE STAGE 2 OF
WESTERN'S UPDATED RETAIL CUSTOMER
WATER SUPPLY SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY
PROGRAM

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Water Code section 71640, Western Municipal Water District (Western) may restrict the use of Western water during any emergency caused by drought, or other threatened or existing water shortage, and may prohibit the wastage of Western water or the use of Western's water during such periods for any purpose other than household uses or such other restricted uses as Western determines to be necessary. Western may also prohibit use of Western water during such periods for specific uses which it finds to be nonessential. Pursuant to Water Code section 71641, Western may prescribe and define by ordinance the restrictions, prohibitions, and exclusions referred to in section 71640; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Water Code section 350 et seq. and 375 et seq., the Board of Directors on January 19, 2022 adopted Ordinance 394 which established a Retail Customer Water Supply Shortage Contingency Program (Program) in response to worsening drought or emergency conditions and supply shortages, for the purpose of conserving the water supplies of Western. The Program establishes six (6) stages of water conservation and supply shortage response measures which may be implemented; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5(B) of Ordinance 394, the declaration of any stage beyond Stage 1 shall be made by resolution of the Board. Such declaration shall provide the extent, terms, and conditions as well as the associated drought fines and/or

penalties respecting the use and consumption of water in accordance with the applicable water supply shortage stage as provided in Ordinance 394; and

WHEREAS, Western is dependent on the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan) for its imported water supplies and is subject to the policy actions pertaining to water supply set by Metropolitan's governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Governor, on October 19, 2021 expanded Executive Order N-10-21 that, in part, requests water supplies achieve a voluntary reduction in potable urban of fifteen percent (15%) each month compared to the same amount of use in the same month in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized and hereby finds and determines that it is necessary to prescribe restrictions, prohibitions, and exclusions for the use of water as outlined in Water Shortage Stage 2.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Western Municipal Water District of Riverside County as follows:

SECTION 1 The purposes of the provisions enacted by the adoption of this Resolution 3206 are to assure the highest beneficial use of District water supplies and to provide sufficient water supplies to meet the basic needs of human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection within Western's direct retail service area.

SECTION 2 Stage 2 of the Program is hereby declared to be in effect as of the effective date of this Resolution and shall hereby apply to all Persons within Western's direct retail service area and all property served in a retail capacity by Western wherever situated. The response measures of Stage 2, pursuant to

the Program, are attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 3 All provisions enacted by the adoption of this Resolution 3206 and attached Exhibits shall remain in full force and effect until otherwise determined by subsequent action of the Board of Directors pursuant to the Program.

SECTION 4 This Resolution 3206 shall be effective as of the date of adoption. Within ten (10) calendar days from the date of adoption of Resolution 3206, Western shall make a public announcement of Stage 2 in accordance with the publication requirements set forth in the Program.

SECTION 5 If any section, subsection, clause or phrase in this Resolution is for any reason held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Resolution shall not be affected thereby. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed this Resolution and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases or the application thereof be held invalid.

ADOPTED, this 19th day of January 2022.


Brenda Dennstedt
President

January 19, 2022

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution 3206 adopted by the Board of Directors of Western Municipal Water District of Riverside County at its Regular Meeting held January 19, 2022.



Mike Gardner
Secretary-Treasurer

EXHIBIT A
STAGE 2 REQUIREMENTS

Upon declaration of Stage 2 by the Board of Directors, the following water conservation and supply shortage response measures shall apply:

(1) All plumbing leaks, improperly adjusted sprinklers, or other water conduits/fixtures that require repair or adjustment shall be corrected to the satisfaction of Western within 72 hours of customer notification by Western.

(2) When installing plumbing fixtures, use low-flow devices, except for those that require high-flow fixtures for health and/or sanitary reasons.

Outdoor Water Use

(3) All outdoor irrigation shall be maintained and adjusted to prevent water waste.

(4) All irrigators shall ensure automatic irrigation timers are adjusted according to changes in the weather.

(a) All irrigators should install a self-adjusting, weather-based, irrigation controller. Ensure the controller has a manual mode.

(b) All irrigators should tune-up irrigation systems by checking for and repairing leaks and damaged sprinklers.

(5) Watering of lawns and/or groundcovers and irrigating landscaping is permitted only between the hours of 8 p.m. and 8 a.m.

(6) Watering outdoor landscaped areas shall be avoided during measurable rain events and two days thereafter. A measurable rainfall event is determined to be precipitation that measures greater than 0.25 inches as recorded at the

California Irrigation Management Information System (CIMIS) Station Number 44 for customers in or near the Riverside service area and CIMIS Station 62 for customers in or near the Murrieta and Rainbow service area. Measurement information is available online at CIMIS website (www.cimis.water.ca.gov).

(7) Watering outdoor landscaped areas shall be avoided during significant wind events.

(8) No customer shall allow water to leave his or her property by drainage onto adjacent properties or public or private roadways or streets due to excessive irrigation and/or uncorrected leaks.

(9) When installing new landscaping, refer to the Water Use Classification of Landscape Species (WUCOLS). Plant low-water California Friendly® Landscapes. Non-functional turf areas are not recommended.

(10) All open hoses shall be equipped with automatic, positive shut-off nozzles.

(11) All swimming pools, spas, ponds, and fountains shall be equipped with re-circulating pumps.

(12) Where possible, install pool and spa covers to minimize water loss due to evaporation during non-operating days.

(13) Draining and refilling of private swimming pools is discouraged, unless necessary for health and safety or leak repair.

(14) The non-commercial washing of automobiles, trucks, trailers, boats, airplanes and other types of mobile equipment shall be done with a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with an automatic, positive shut-off nozzle.

(15) No customer shall use water to wash down sidewalks, driveways, parking areas, tennis courts, patios, or other paved or hard surface areas, except to alleviate immediate fire or sanitation hazards, and then only by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with an automatic, positive self-closing shut-off device, or a low-volume, high-pressure cleaning machine.

Indoor Water Use

(16) Customers should wash only full loads of laundry and/or dishes.

(17) Customers should install low-flow certified showerheads and shorten shower times.

(18) Customers should consider replacing older inefficient appliances with certified low-flow appliances.

Construction

(19) Construction operations receiving water from a construction meter, hydrant meter, or water truck shall not use water for any purpose other than those required by regulatory agencies.

(20) Where possible, construction operations should utilize non-potable and recycled water for their purposes.

Commercial

(21) It is prohibited to install single-pass cooling systems in buildings requesting new water service. Single pass cooling equipment should either be modified to recirculate water or, if possible, should be eliminated.

(22) New commercial conveyor car washes and new commercial laundry systems should install recirculating water systems.

(23) Eating or drinking establishments, or other public places where food or drinks are sold, served, or offered for sale, should only provide drinking water upon specific

request and are encouraged to use low-flow certified pre-rinse spray valves.

(24) Commercial lodging establishments shall provide an option not to launder linens daily. Commercial lodging establishments shall prominently display notice of this option in each guestroom using clear and easily understood language.

(25) Developers of commercial properties are urged to eliminate or not install non-functional turf and to install water-wise landscaping using native or drought-tolerant plants.

(26) No commercial property shall allow water to leave the property by drainage onto adjacent properties or public or private roadways or streets due to excessive irrigation and/or uncorrected leaks.

(27) Commercial customers will be encouraged to develop a Water Management Plan that mirrors the stages and reduction targets described in the Program.

(28) Commercial, institutional, industrial, and landscape customers, including but not limited to, parks, school grounds, highway medians, commercial landscaping, and golf courses are restricted to irrigation applications between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. These irrigators are advised to adjust automatic irrigation timers according to changing weather patterns and landscape requirements.

(29) Customers irrigating with recycled water need to provide signage on the site that conforms with recycled water use requirements and is clearly visible. Customers irrigating with recycled water are encouraged to develop a Water Management Plan that describes how water waste will be eliminated.

Homeowner Associations (HOAs)

(30) Homeowner Associations (HOAs), community service organizations, or similar entities are strongly discouraged from enforcing provisions of their rules and regulations that prohibit reducing or eliminating the watering of vegetation or lawns during a declared drought emergency.

(31) Western strongly encourages counties, cities, HOAs, and other enforcement agencies to suspend code enforcement and fines for brown turf areas and to otherwise comply with new state laws regarding limitations on such enforcement.

(32) HOAs shall eliminate irrigation runoff from residential and HOA common area landscapes. HOAs are strongly encouraged to adopt and enforce water use restrictions in their rules and regulations.

