



City of Grover Beach

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City of Grover Beach Declares a Stage II Water Shortage Citizens and Businesses Encouraged to Voluntarily Continue Conserving Water

GROVER BEACH, CA – On Monday, August 5, 2013, the Grover Beach City Council declared a Stage II Water Shortage condition. ***A Stage II declaration is a moderate-voluntary measure that directs staff to continue consumption reduction methods and encourages Grover Beach citizens and businesses to conserve and limit water use.***

In accordance with the City's adopted Water Shortage Contingency Plan, residents and businesses are strongly encouraged to ***voluntarily refrain*** from the following water uses during a ***Stage II Water Shortage***:

- Use of potable water for street cleaning;
- Unauthorized use of water from any fire hydrant;
- Use of potable water to wash sidewalks or roadways where air blowers or sweeping provides a reasonable alternative;
- Use of potable water for construction purposes, such as consolidation of backfill unless no other source of water or method can be used;
- Restaurant water service to patrons, unless upon request;
- Hydrant flushing, except where required for public health and safety;
- Refilling existing private pools, except to maintain water levels;
- Use of potable water for planting of turf and other new landscaping, unless it consists of low water using, drought tolerant plants;
- Use of water for washing cars, boats, sidewalks, driveways or other exterior surfaces without a quick-acting shut-off nozzle on the hose; and
- Operations of any ornamental fountain or car wash, unless the water is re-circulated.

At a minimum, the City Council reviews rainfall and other information annually and, based on this information, determines the appropriate water conservation actions. The City Council recognizes that this is a second year of drought conditions and that it is in everyone's best interest to conserve water.

The City receives its water from two sources: the Lopez Lake Water Reservoir and a number of groundwater wells. Below average rainfall and Lopez Lake storage levels indicate the City's water supplies are approaching a moderate water shortage condition. Citizens and businesses are encouraged to conserve water where possible. In the event you have questions regarding the need to conserve water, you are encouraged to contact the **City of Grover Beach Public Works Department at (805) 473-4520** or the **Administrative Services Department at (805) 473-4550**.

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