

## COMMUNICATION BULLETIN Level 2 Water Restrictions

## May 1, 2023

With the rising temperatures and subsequent snowpack melt, yesterdays turbidity levels were at 207 NTU's which triggered the Voyent Alert advising Level 2 Water Restrictions. Average turbidity ranges between 1-4 NTU's depending on weather and season. Turbidity was looking better today at 170 NTU's but with warmer weather expected we anticipate the turbidity levels to remain well above average.

Below is a picture of the water before and after filtration, as you can see the water treatment plant (WTP) is doing the job; however, to provide the potable water the WTP is frequently stopping water treatment to conduct a self cleaning cycle, when the cleaning begins one of the filtration trains goes off line reducing water production by 50% which is why we are asking everyone to conserve water. By reducing irrigation the reservoirs should maintain safe water levels and not cause dangerously low treated water supply levels.

As the turbidity reduces we will move to the bylaw legislated level 1 water restriction which would have been implemented today May 1<sup>st</sup> as per Water Conservation Bylaw No. 799.



## STAGE 2 WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES

- **a.** During Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures, no person shall use a watering system to water a lawn, garden or landscaped area on a property except:
  - i. At premises with even numbered civic address, on Wednesdays and Saturdays between 6:00 am and 9:00 am as well as 8:00 pm and 11:00 pm for hose supplied sprinklers or between 12:00 am and 6:00 am for underground automated sprinkler systems.

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- ii. At premises with odd numbered civic addresses, on Thursdays and Sundays between 6:00 am and 9:00 am as well as 8:00 pm and 11:00 pm for hose supplied sprinklers or between 12:00 am and 6:00 am for underground automated sprinkler systems.
- **b.** During Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures, the following uses are permitted:

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- i. Hand watering of flower gardens, vegetable gardens, decorative planters, shrubs or trees. Drip irrigation or micro sprinkler irrigation for watering flower gardens, vegetable gardens, decorative planters and shrubs or trees is also permitted. Hand watering of lawns or grass is not permitted.
- ii. Watering of public sports fields, school yards, public parks and cemeteries.
- **iii.** Filling and maintaining of private pools, spas, hot tubs and ponds.
- iv. Prevention or to control fires.
- v. For health and safety of any person.
- vi. Uses authorized by a permit issued by the CAO, Public Works Foreman or Designate (Schedule 'B').

## Thank you, we appreciate your cooperation!

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