

City of Aledo Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan

With statewide drought conditions and the current low water supply levels reported by Tarrant Regional Water District, the City of Aledo will implement <u>Stage 1</u> of the drought contingency plan, <u>beginning June 3, 2013</u>. With the completion of water system improvements and the purchase of water from the City of Fort Worth, the City of Aledo must implement the same stages of the drought contingency plan as the City of Fort Worth implements to restrict the use of water.

Water conservation is very important year-round, but particularly during the summer months, and the Aledo City Council implemented a year-round Water Conservation Ordinance.

The requirements for Stage 1 water restrictions are:

- For <u>residential customers</u>, outdoor watering of lawn and landscaped areas with hose-end sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems shall be limited to Saturdays and Wednesdays for customers with a street address ending in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6 or 8), and Sundays and Thursdays for water customers with a street address ending in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7 or 9). <u>Non-residential</u> customers, including businesses, parks and common areas, can water only on Tuesdays and Fridays. No watering is allowed on Mondays.
- Outdoor watering with hose-end sprinklers is prohibited from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the assigned watering days.
- Watering by hand-held hose, drip irrigation or soaker hose is allowed at any time. Residents and businesses are encouraged to limit such watering to a maximum of two hours per day.

Other Stage 1 water restrictions include the following:

- Vehicle washing is limited to the use of hand-held buckets and a hose with a positive shutoff valve. Vehicles may be washed at any time at a carwash.
- No hosing of buildings or other structures for purposes other than fire protection.
- Encouraging no hosing of paved areas, such as sidewalks, driveways, parking lots, etc.
- Encouraging restaurants to serve water only upon request.
- Establishing new turf is discouraged, and a variance by the City of Aledo is required.

If the water shortage continues, the City of Aledo may be required to enact further stages to curtail the use of water and prevent water loss.

Thank you for your continued cooperation with all the City's efforts to conserve water and for your use of water for only essential purposes. If you have any questions concerning these water restrictions, please call City Hall at 817-441-7016.