



## McCloud Community Services District

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### Welcome To Spring and Summer 2023 New & Important!

Even though we had an exceptionally wet winter with more snow and rain than in the last few years, we will still be under a water conservation program for 2023. Our three springs that supply the town's water supply are being monitored closely and the weekly reports are showing that they currently produce less than 25% of the water we had in previous years.

As of May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Our Intake springs are only producing 767 GPM and the combined Elks Springs are only producing 741 GPM. (This is even less spring water production than last fall.) We have brought this to the attention of a hydrologist that has over 20 years' experience with our springs, and he has explained that we might not see the benefits of this winter's snowpack in our spring sources till it has time to percolate into the aquifers that supply the springs. This could take a year or years.

Therefore, on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Our MCS D Board of Directors passed the Emergency Drought Water Program (Ordinance #30)

A copy of Ordinance # 30 is available at the MCS D office and can also be viewed on our MCS D website <https://www.ci.mccloucdcsd.ca.us> in the News column.

Due to the low spring water production, we are requesting that the community apply the Level 1 Conservation Measures effective immediately.

The Basic points covered in Ordinance # 30 level 1 are the following.

**Level #1-All MCS D customers must limit outdoor irrigation of ornamental landscapes or grass with potable water to no more than three (3) days per week, before 10 a.m. or after 7:00 p.m. on the following schedule: - Please use only what is needed!**

- If your address ends in an **EVEN** number, you may water on **Monday** and/or **Wednesday** and/or **Saturday** before **10:00 a.m.** or after **7:00 p.m.**
- If your address ends in an **ODD** number, you may water on **Tuesday** and/or **Thursday** and/or **Sunday** before **10:00 a.m.** or after **7:00 p.m.**

**The following MCSD Ordinance # 30, Level # 1 Water Conservation Practices are -**

- a.) Stop washing down paved surfaces, including but not limited to sidewalks, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts, or patios, except when it is necessary to alleviate safety or sanitation hazards.
- b.) Wash vehicles using a bucket and a handheld hose with positive shut-off nozzle, mobile high pressure/low volume wash system, or at a commercial site that recirculates water on-site. Avoid washing in hot conditions when additional water is required due to evaporation.
- c.) Irrigate residential and commercial landscape before 10 am or after 7 pm only. Outdoor irrigation shall be limited to three (3) days a week, with specific days to be designated by the General Manager or Board of Directors.
- d.) Use recirculated water to operate ornamental fountains.
- e.) Serve and refill water in restaurants and food service establishments only upon request.
- f.) MCSD customers shall repair all water leaks within five (5) days of notification by the MCSD unless other arrangements are made with the General Manager or Public Works Superintendent.
- g.) Use recycled or non-potable water for construction purposes and public events.
- h.) No landscape irrigation during or within 24 hours of rain.
- i.) Draining and refilling of private swimming pools is prohibited unless necessary for public health and safety and approved by the General Manager or Public Works Superintendent.
- j.) Fire hydrants shall be used for fire suppression only.

To avoid wasting water, as you are setting up your sprinklers timers or using water during the summer season, please do not allow run-off into the street or pooling of water.

This is based on the need to have adequate water supply for our communities **Public Health, Safety, Welfare and Fire Suppression needs.**

We are requesting your help!

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the availability of water, or water usage, please feel free to contact the General Manager at the McCloud Community Services District office. (530) 964-2017

We will keep you posted on the water issue as the season progresses.

Thank you again in advance for understanding how serious this is.

Amos McAbier, General Manager