

A RESOLUTION (2021-01) OF THE BOARD OF THE COTTONWOOD MUTUAL WATER COMPANY ENCOURAGING INCREASED WATER CONSERVATION DUE TO THE CURRENT DROUGHT CONDITIONS.

WHEREAS, the State of Utah has experienced below-average precipitation and has not seen a replenishment of water storage reservoirs, springs, and aquifers; and

WHEREAS, Governor Cox has issued an executive order dated March 17, 2021, declaring a state of emergency due to current drought conditions throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, counties and cities across the State are experiencing drought conditions and record high temperatures; and

WHEREAS, the forecast predicts the possibility of poor water supply conditions for the remaining summer months; and

WHEREAS, extreme drought conditions threaten access to safe, reliable drinking water from wells, streams, and reservoirs; and

WHEREAS, water is a valuable resource and an essential element for life that should be used wisely and as efficiently as possible to provide a stable water supply for the community; and

WHEREAS, the Cottonwood Mutual Water Company Board of Directors joins with Governor Cox to encourage all water users to increase their efforts to conserve water.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Cottonwood Mutual Water Company, asks Cottonwood Mutual Water Company water users to implement the following water conservation practices:

1. Follow recommendations of Slow the Flow in drought response (www.slowtheflow.org).
 - a. Water less. No more than two times per week.
 - b. Don't water if it's windy (greater than five (5) MPH).
 - c. Water at the right time; between the hours of 6:00 PM and 10:00 AM.
 - d. Prioritize your watering
 - i. Trees
 - ii. Shrubs
 - iii. Perennials
 - iv. Annuals
 - v. Grass
 - e. Raise your mower's cutting height to 3-4 inches.
 - f. Install a smart controller (see slowtheflow.org for rebate options).
2. Practice water conservation measures within your home.
 - a. Shut water off when brushing teeth, shaving, etc.
 - b. Consider installing low flow water fixtures (i.e. showerheads, faucets, toilets).

As the Board of Directors continues to monitor Cottonwood Mutual Water Company's water resources during the current drought, the following actions may be considered:


3. Identify high water users and encourage better water conservation practices through phone, email, or letter contact.
4. Impose mandatory conservation measures if need arises.
 - a. Restrict use of culinary water use for outdoor watering particularly to members having access to secondary water.
 - b. Restrict culinary water use for water features and amenities (fountains, pools, jacuzzi, etc.).
 - c. Restrict outdoor watering between the hours of 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM.
 - d. Impose once per week watering.
 - e. Provide educational materials and training to encourage and promote increased water conservation.
5. Impose emergency conservation measures if need arises.
 - a. Prohibit all outdoor water use.
 - b. Restrict indoor culinary water uses based on priority needs for health and safety.

Adopted and resolved by the Cottonwood Mutual Water Company Board of Directors, Morgan County, Utah this 12th day of July, 2021.



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