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### **EXECUTIVE ORDER #2024-01**

# Water Shortage Advisory

Due to the recent and progressing drought conditions in Berea and Southern Madison County, the City of Berea is issuing a Water Shortage Advisory. This advisory is to notify all retail and wholesale customers of Berea Municipal Utilities that current conditions exist which indicate the potential for serious raw water supply shortages.

The advisory requests voluntary water conservation measures to be followed by all Berea Municipal Utility retail and wholesale customers, including Southern Madison Water District, and will remain in effect until water supplies have returned to seasonally normal levels in the service area.

# Water Shortage Advisory Stage Conservation and Curtailment Measures

- Declare a Water Shortage Advisory.
- > Provide proper notice to all customers and to all local news media.
- Eliminate all water leaks.
- > Request voluntary conservation of all non-essential (Class 3) water use.
- ➤ Request wholesale customers also issue request for voluntary conservation by their customers of all non-essential (Class 3) water use.

## Non-Essential uses (Class 3)

Any waste of water, as defined herein, is non-essential. The following uses of water, listed by site or user type, are non-essential.

#### Public Use:

- use of fire hydrants (excluding official fire department use), including use of sprinkler caps, testing fire apparatus and fire department drills,
- flushing of sewers and hydrants except as needed to ensure public health and safety as approved by health officials.

### Commercial and Civic Uses:

- service water in restaurants, clubs or eating places, except by customer request,
- failure to repair a controllable leak,
- increasing water levels in scenic and recreational ponds and lakes, except for the minimum amount required to support fish and wildlife.

### Ornamental Purposes:

- fountains, reflecting pools and artificial waterfalls.

## Outdoor Non-Commercial Watering:

- use of water for dirt control or compaction,
- watering of annual or non-woody plants, lawns, parks, golf course fairways, playing fields and other recreational areas,
- washing sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts or other hard-surface areas.
- washing down buildings or structures for purposes other than immediate fire protection,
- flushing gutters or permitting water to run or accumulate in any gutter or street.

### Outdoor Commercial or Public Watering:

- expanding commercial nursery facilities, placing new irrigated agriculture land in production, or planting of landscaping except when required by a site design review process,
- use of water for dirt control or compaction,
- watering of lawns, parks, golf course fairways, playing fields and other recreational areas,
- washing down buildings or structures for purposes other than immediate fire protection,
- flushing gutters or permitting water to run or accumulate in any gutter or street.
- non-commercial washing of motor or other vehicles.

This order shall remain in effect until terminated by the issuance of another Executive Order when determined that the advisory no longer required.

A copy of this Order shall be filed with the City Clerk.

Signed January 2, 2024

Bruce Fraley, Mayor City of Berea, Kentucky