

Resolution No. 2015-05
A Resolution of the River Pines Public Utility District
Declaring a Water Shortage Emergency and Enacting
Appropriate Conservation Measures

Whereas, the State of California is experiencing its fourth year of drought and must take immediate action to safeguard the state's remaining potable water supplies in preparation for a possible fifth year of drought: and

Whereas, on April 1, 2015, Governor Brown issued an Executive Order requiring an immediate 25 percent reduction in overall potable water use statewide; and

Whereas, on July 15, 2014 the State Water Resources Control Board issued Emergency Regulation prohibiting certain activities and mandatory actions during the drought emergency has fallen short: and

Whereas, the River Pines Public Utility District to adopt a water conservation program that is consistent with the mandatory 25 percent water reduction: and

Whereas, this Resolution will meet the River Pines Public Utility Districts obligations under the Executive Order to reduce water usage by 25 percent and restrict outdoor irrigation to no more than two days per week.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the River Pines Public Utility District of Amador County hereby declares and implements the following actions and measures to manage the water shortage emergency:

1. Increase education and outreach efforts to the community.
2. Enact and enforce the following restrictions on water usage:

RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL and PUBLIC AUTHORITY CUSTOMERS

- Residential and commercial customers shall comply with the following:
- Watering lawns and gardens or any other irrigation will be limited to two (2) days a week with ODD numbered house addresses may water on Wednesday and Saturday only. EVEN numbered house addresses may water on Thursday and Sunday only...
- Washing of cars, boats, trailers or other vehicles by hose without automatic shut-off valve or by use of water directly from faucet or other outlets shall be prohibited.
- The emptying and refilling of existing indoor and outdoor swimming pools and hot tubs shall be discontinued. Maintaining pools, hot tubs and fire protection storage facilities at normal operating levels shall be permitted.
- There shall be no washing of sidewalks, walkways, driveways, patios, parking lots, or tennis courts areas by hose or by the use of water directly from faucets or other outlets.
- Applications for service connections for new construction shall be considered upon condition that water shall be used for only interior purposes and shall not be used for lawn or garden watering or any other irrigation use for the duration of the drought or emergency.
- Operations of decorative fountains shall be prohibited if unless the water is recirculated.
- Restaurants shall serve water to customers only upon request.
- 25% mandatory reduction

- The use of water for scenic and recreational ponds and lakes, except for the minimum amount required to support aquatic life, shall be prohibited.

ENFORCEMENT

Violations of mandatory water conservation requirements shall result in the following enforcement measures:

First Violation: written warning that a further violation shall result in possible water restrictions and possible fine.

Second Violation: River Pines P.U.D. shall restrict customer's water service by inserting a device to reduce the customers water flow by the required reduction; and such restriction shall be removed only after a one-week period has elapsed, and upon payment by the customer to the River Pines P.U.D. of the applicable Service Call and Mandatory Violation Fee of \$500.

Third Violation: River Pines P.U.D. shall restrict the customer's water service by inserting a device to reduce the customer's water flow by the required reduction; and said device shall remain in place for the duration of drought or emergency. Prior to removal of the device the customer shall pay to the River Pines P.U.D. The applicable Service Fee, Mandatory Violation Fine of \$500 in conjunction with possible 30 days in jail.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the water shortage emergency shall remain in effect until the River Pines Public Utility District determines there is no longer a mandatory 25% water reduction in effect.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the River Pines Public Utility District at a regular meeting held on this 8th day of April, 2015.

Cathy Landgraf, Chairman

ATTEST:

Candi Bingham, General Manager