

Volcano Community Services District (VCSD) Board of Directors, at its Special Meeting, September 15, 2021, directed early communication and implementation of conservation measures and actions, in response to another year of drought in California. VCSD customers are being asked to reduce their water use 55 gallons per day per person, effective immediately.

We are asking for this reduction in outside and indoor water use from all of our customers – homes and businesses. We are all in this together. With the seriousness of the drought, we all need to do as much as we can.

Attached is an Ordinance that was adopted by the VCSD board at the Special Meeting held September 15, 2021.

Listed here and in the Ordinance is the conservation provisions the adopted by motion by the VCSD board:

- a. All outside water use, including landscape/lawn irrigation, pool filling and car washing, is limited to no more than three (3) assigned days per week, on a schedule established by the VCSD;
- b. All outside water use is prohibited between the hours of 9 am to 5 pm, even on the assigned (3) watering days;
- c. All lawn/landscape irrigation is limited to no more than ten (10) minutes per watering station/section, per assigned day.
- d. Subject to the restrictions under a., b., and c. above, landscaped areas, including lawn, trees and shrubs that are not irrigated by a landscape irrigation system may be watered using a bucket or a hand-held hose with a shut-off nozzle that causes it to cease dispensing water immediately when not in use.
- e. Subject to the restrictions under a. and b. above, washing of cars is acceptable by by bucket or a handheld hose with a shut-off nozzle that causes it to cease dispensing water immediately when not in use.
- f. The application of potable water to driveways and sidewalks or streets is prohibited.
- g. All water leaks must be repaired within seventy-two (72) hours of notification by the VCSD unless other arrangements are made with the General Manager.
- h. The use of a hose that dispenses potable water to wash a motor vehicle, except where the hose is fitted with a shut-off nozzle or device attached to it that causes it to cease dispensing water immediately when not in use;
- i. The operation of ornamental fountains or similar decorative water features is prohibited unless recycled water is used.
- j. Restaurants and other food/drink service establishments are required to serve and refill drinking water only upon request.
- k. Hotels and other commercial lodging establishments are required to provide guests with the option of choosing not to have towels and linens laundered daily. The hotel/lodging establishment shall prominently display notice of this option in each guestroom using clear and easily understood language.

Landlords are asked to forward this information to your tenants, so these measures can be followed.

It's time to get off on the right foot as you turn off your sprinkler system for fall going into winter. As we continue into another year of drought, it's even more important to prepare.

Here are some general guidelines:

- Your run times should be 4-6 minutes, backing off by 2 minutes if there is runoff, or adding 2 minutes if your lawn is still dry after a cycle
- Start out with 3 run times per assigned watering day and within in the times.
- Check your sprinkler heads to ensure proper operation

Notices are placed on the website VolcanoCSD.org and posting in three places: The Armory Hall, The Country Store and at the Post Office. Please check for important notices, conservation tips and other VCSD messages.

Compliance is greatly appreciated. Thank you, Sharon Owens General Manager