

# Press Release

## For Immediate Release

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The “dog days” of summer have arrived. Temperatures are rising; we expect to hit 100 degrees in the next few days. Water and Energy conservation hopefully is something we are all working on.

In the last week water demand has increased to 20 million gallons a day. As the temperatures rise, water demand will increase also. Some suggestions to “reduce your use” are:

- Water deeply and less frequently
- Leave the turf blade height at 2.5 to 3 inches
- Water between 8 PM and 8 AM
- Water the landscape, not the sidewalks or driveway

The increasing temperatures also bring an increase in electrical demand. This is most noticeable between 2 pm to 7 pm. Beating the peak will help control the cost of power. Some suggestions to “reduce your use” are:

- Wash only full loads of laundry or dishes. If possible run the loads during the off peak times of day.
- Close the drapes in windows receiving direct sunlight
- Consider having regular maintenance done on your air conditioning unit, such as cleaning the condenser and filters.
- Raise the thermostat to 78 degrees

These suggestions will help to keep your utility bill from skyrocketing this summer. By working together we all benefit from reducing our use.

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