



Additional Water Use Restrictions

October 19, 2021



Overview

- Review of Water Use Limits and Penalties
- Key Elements of Proposed Ordinance No. 455
- Implementation
- Recommendation

Water Use Limits and Penalties (Effective December 1, 2021)

- Single-Family Residential Customers
 - Winter: Tier 1 use without penalty (Up to 21ccf or 65 gallons/person/day)
 - Summer: Tier 1 and Tier 2 use without penalty (Up to 59ccf or 184 gallons/person/day)
 - Adjustments allowed for households of more than 4 residents
- Irrigation Customers (Dedicated, Single-Family Dedicated)
 - Winter: All water use is penalized
 - Summer: Tier 1 use without penalty
- Commercial and Multi-Family Customers
 - Water use limits and penalties only apply to sites with dedicated irrigation meters
 - Mixed use meter customers are not included in the water use limits

1ccf=748 gallons

Key Elements of Proposed Ordinance No. 455

- Summer Irrigation Restrictions (June – November)
 - Limit overhead spray sprinkler irrigation to one day per week, as assigned by the District
 - Drip irrigation limited to two days per week
 - Spot-watering by hand is exempt
 - Discourage new plantings
- Winter Irrigation Restrictions (December – May)
 - Prohibit all irrigation
 - Spot-watering by hand is exempt
 - Discourage new plantings
- Ordinance applies to all customers

Key Elements of Proposed Ordinance No. 455

- Prohibit pool filling with District's potable water

Prohibited Nonessential Uses Applicable to Customers. It is unlawful for any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, or political entity to use potable water from the District for the following nonessential uses:

- *Refilling a completely drained swimming pool*
- *Initial filling of any swimming pool for which application for a building permit was made after December 1, 2021.*

- Penalty set at \$250 for pool filling violation, with no warning letter.

Water Waste Enforcement Period

- Current code states 14-day violation period
 - Following 14-days the enforcement process resets
- Revision will allow for action to be taken if the same category of water waste violation occurred within one year of the prior violation
 - Water Waste Notification: Written notification of water waste and warning that 2nd Notice will result in a fine
 - 2nd Notice: A \$25 fine for the water waste violation and a warning that subsequent violations of same water waste will result in a \$250 fine
 - Subsequent Violations: For each violation of the same water waste violation within 60 days, a \$250 fine will be imposed on customer bill.

Implementation

- Continue customer outreach and education efforts underway
- Coordinate with local permitting/ land use planning jurisdictions
- Drought support programs for customers
 - e.g. Turf Replacement Incentives, Flume Water Monitor, Rain Barrel Rebates
- Variance and appeal process

Recommendation

- Adopt Proposed Ordinance No. 455

Winter Irrigation Prohibition

- Spot watering by hand is exempt
- Discourage new plantings

Pool Filling Prohibition