



# BOUNTIFUL

## BOUNTIFUL CITY, UTAH RESOLUTION NO. 2025-05

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### A RESOLUTION APPROVING A WATER REGULATION AND CONSERVATION PROGRAM FOR BOUNTIFUL CITY, IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

WHEREAS, Bountiful City has identified decreases in water levels in deep wells that provide water to the culinary water system; and this decrease in water levels is resulting in decreased pumping rates from said wells; and

WHEREAS, it is critical that the City manage the impact of the drought conditions and take conservation efforts, including educating City residents, limiting outdoor use of culinary water, and limiting irrigation uses, with the goal of reducing overall water usage; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is authorized under Utah State Law and City Ordinance to regulate and restrict the use of water when necessary to protect the health, welfare, and safety of its residents and to provide for the enforcement of such regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is necessary to implement additional conservation efforts to reduce or mitigate the effect of the drought conditions and to ensure that the City and its residents continue to have a reliable and sustainable water supply; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is also necessary to authorize and regulate operational and maintenance practices to preserve the City's investment in public infrastructure and facilities and reduce long term costs for these facilities for the benefit of the citizens of Bountiful.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Bountiful City Council as follows:

1. The Mayor and City Council have previously declared that the current statewide drought conditions constitute a water scarcity event and have authorized the Mayor to issue Bountiful City Proclamation 2025-01 Declaring Water Scarcity which is incorporated by this reference, and authorize the following conservation regulations for residential areas within the Bountiful City limits to be implemented by the Public Works Director, subject to the approval of the City Manager, from July 31, 2025 to April 15, 2026:

Outdoor use of culinary water is hereby limited according to the following:

1. Use of culinary water for outdoor watering is prohibited where irrigation water is provided by a third-party service district.

2. Outdoor watering with culinary water is expressly prohibited between the hours of 10:00 am and 6:00 pm.
  3. To maintain minimum storage levels in the culinary reservoirs, outdoor use of culinary water is not permitted on Wednesday of each week.
  4. Landscaping, including turf, plantings and gardens on residential properties may be watered three times per week. Zone run times shall be no longer than 20 minutes (per zone) for pop-up style sprinkler heads or 40 minutes (per zone) for rotary style sprinkler heads. Properties with an odd numbered address may water on odd number calendar days. Properties with an even numbered address may water on even number calendar days.
  5. Hand watering is allowed one time per week, with a maximum flow rate of 5 gallons per minute, for established trees and shrubs. The hose shall not be left unattended during this time and shall not be connected to a sprinkler head.
  6. Watering of newly installed landscaping shall comply with the limitations set forth in this Resolution.
  7. Rinsing or washing of sidewalks, driveways, patios or other impervious surfaces is not permitted.
  8. Residential swimming pools may only be filled using a hose connection to the primary structure with a maximum flow rate of 5 gallons per minute.
  9. Bountiful Parks and City facilities are permitted to “spot water” to prevent permanent damage to turf or landscaping to provide outdoor facilities which can be enjoyed by the community in general and to protect the public investment in said facilities.
  10. Bountiful Ridge Golf Course is permitted to water tee boxes, greens and fairways to maintain acceptable playing conditions. “Spot watering” practices are permitted in fairway and rough areas to prevent permanent damage to landscaping or turf.
2. In addition to and in conjunction with all regulations contained in the Bountiful Municipal Code, City Staff is authorized to enforce the above noted regulations as follows:

- a. First Offense – Written warning.
- b. Second Offense - \$100 fine added to the utility bill.
- c. Third Offense - \$250 fine added to the utility bill.
- d. Fourth Offense - \$500 fine added to the utility bill.
- e. Fifth Offense – Culinary water service terminated pending payment of a \$1,000 fine. Account holder shall also be responsible for any disconnection and reconnection fees.
- f. An additional fine of \$500 for any of the following actions:
  - Connecting a Bountiful City culinary water service to a residential irrigation system in Bountiful City where the property is served by a third-party irrigation provider without written authorization of the Public Works Director, Water Dept. Director or their designated representative.
  - Connecting a Bountiful City residential culinary water service to a residential irrigation system where the property is ONLY served by Bountiful City's culinary water system without a backflow prevention device without written authorization from the Public Works Director Water Dept. Director or their designated representative.
  - Placing into service an existing or new backflow prevention device which has not been tested by a certified backflow technician and for which a report has not been submitted to the Bountiful City Water Department.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 22nd day of July 2025.

  
Kendalyn Harris, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Sophia Ward, City Recorder

