Outdoor Irrigation Prohibited Citywide

September 20, 2021 - April 15, 2022

Irrigation service to Bountiful residents will end for the season on Monday, September 20, 2021. Because of the severity of the drought this year, the Bountiful City Council has prohibited outdoor irrigation in all areas of the City until April 2022 (see Resolution 2021-17 below). This includes the use of culinary water. One reason is that Bountiful's water system is not designed to accommodate the demand that combined use for culinary and irrigation would generate. If residents begin to replace the untreated irrigation water with culinary, it can have increased impacts on the quality of water from the City's water sources.

Most concerning of all is the increased chance of cross contamination of the drinking water system. If residents directly connect their irrigation system to the culinary water without the proper backflow prevention equipment, an unacceptable risk for cross connections and contamination of the entire City's culinary water system is extremely high.

If you have questions, please contact the Bountiful Water Department at 801.298.6180.





BOUNTIFUL

BOUNTIFUL CITY, UTAH RESOLUTION NO. 2021-17

MAYOR Randy C. Lewis

CITY COUNCIL Millie Segura Bahr Kate Bradshaw Kendalyn Harris Richard Higginson Chris R. Simonson

CITY MANAGER Gary R. Hill

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

WHEREAS, Governor Cox has issued an executive order declaring a state of emergency due to current drought conditions throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, the City has been notified by the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District and Bountiful Irrigation that drought conditions necessitate ending the supply of irrigation water on September 20, 2021, and

WHEREAS, it is critical that the City work with Weber Basin and Bountiful Irrigation to help 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.

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 2021-01 Declaring Water Scarcity which is incorporated by this reference, and authorize the following conservation regulations for residential areas within the Bountiful City limits which are watered with culinary water to be implemented by the Public Works Director, subject to the approval of the City Manager, from September 20, 2021 to April 15, 2022:
 - a. Outdoor use of culinary water for irrigation purposes is prohibited, with the following exceptions:
 - 1. Bountiful Parks and City facilities are permitted to "spot water" to prevent permanent damage to turf or landscaping.
 - 2. Bountiful Ridge Golf Course is permitted to water tee boxes and greens 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. <u>Fifth Offense</u> 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 either of the following actions:
 - Connecting a culinary water source to an irrigation system without a backflow prevention device
 - Placing into service a 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 14th day of September 2021.

Randy C. Lew

ATTEST:

Shawna Andrus, City Recorder