

Appendix P
Drought Contingency Plan
As adopted April 12, 2023

Section I: Declaration of Policy, Purpose, and Intent

In order to conserve the available water supply and protect the integrity of water supply facilities, with particular regard for domestic water use, sanitation, and fire protection, and to protect and preserve public health and safety and minimize the adverse impacts of water shortage or other water supply conditions, the District hereby adopts the following regulations and restrictions on the delivery, consumption and use of District water.

Water uses regulated or prohibited under this Drought Contingency Plan (Plan, or this Appendix) are found and determined to be non-essential, and continuation of such uses during drought stages specified in this Plan are is found and shall constitute waste of water subjecting offender(s) to penalties and other sanctions as defined in Section X of this Plan.

This Plan amends and replaces all prior drought contingency plans of the District.

Section II: Public Involvement

Opportunity for the public to provide input into the preparation of the Plan was provided by the District by means of scheduling and providing public notice of a public meeting to accept input on the Plan.

Section III: Public Education

The District will periodically provide the public with information about the Plan, including information about the conditions under which each stage of the Plan is to be initiated or terminated and the drought response measures to be implemented in each stage. This information will be provided by means of posting on the District's internet website, <https://mcud.com/> (Website).

Section IV: Coordination with Regional Water Planning Groups

The service area of the the District is located within the Region H Water Planning Group (RHWPG), and the District has provided a copy of this Plan to the RHWPG.

Section V: Authorizations, Duties, Notices, Etc.

The Administrator shall monitor water supply and/or demand conditions on at least a weekly basis. The Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to: (i) implement the applicable provisions of this Plan and make the determinations required to initiate or terminate each Stage; and (ii) issue special permits as required by this Plan.

The District's operator, the District's officer manager, and the District's office staff members are each authorized to: (i) provide information about this Plan; (ii) give notices of apparent violations, requests for compliance, inspections, etc.; (iii) perform or arrange inspections, (iv) request the Board to impose civil penalties; (v) collect fees, charges, penalties, etc.; (vi) assist the Administrator; (vii) keep records relating to this Plan; and (viii) post Written Notification for the initiation and termination of Stages of this Plan by the Administrator or the Board and provide additional notices listed below (but failure to give any such additional notice does not affect the initiation, termination, effectiveness, or validity of any Stage or any fees charges, or penalties). Additional notices may be given: (i) to the public, by posting signs, making public statements, issuing press releases, advertisement, publication, or some combination of these methods; and (ii) to the potentially-affected agencies listed below, in writing (including fax and email) or by telephone:

- (a) Fire Chief(s);
- (b) City and/or County Emergency Management Coordinator(s)
- (c) County Judge and Commissioner(s)
- (d) State disaster officials / Department of Public Safety
- (e) TCEQ (required when mandatory restrictions are imposed)
- (f) Major water users
- (g) Governmental agencies that have interconnections or other water contracts with the District
- (h) Critical water users, i.e. hospitals
- (i) Parks/street managers and public facilities managers
- (i) homeowner and property owner associations.

Section VI: Application

The provisions of this Plan shall apply to all persons, customers, and property utilizing water provided by the District or

owning or controlling premises receiving water provided by the District. The terms “person” and “customer” as used in the Plan each includes individuals, corporations, partnerships, associations, and all other legal entities. *Exception:* For a wholesale or interconnection customer supplied under an agreement with the District, the application of this Plan shall be limited to the extent provided in such agreement.

Section VII: Definitions

In this Plan, words and phrases specially-defined elsewhere in this order shall have the same meanings in this Plan, unless the context clearly requires a different meaning, and the following words and phrases shall have the meanings given below:

Administrator means: (i) the President of the District or, (ii) when the President is absent from the District or not available to take actions under this Plan, the Vice President of the District.

Aesthetic purposes: ornamental or decorative purposes such as by fountains, reflecting pools, or water gardens, except the water is recirculate and when necessary to support aquatic life.

Alternative water source(s) are other districts and water supply systems, surface water sources, imported water sources, non-municipal water sources, and sources of reclaimed water.

Non-residential water use: water use which is integral to the operations of commercial and non-profit establishments and governmental entities such as retail establishments, schools, hotels and motels, restaurants, and office buildings, and other non-residential premises.

Conservation: those practices, techniques, and technologies that reduce the consumption of water, reduce the loss or waste of water, improve the efficiency in the use of water or increase the recycling and reuse of water so that a supply is conserved and made available for future or alternative uses.

Customer: any person using water supplied by the District.

Designated watering period: a time period during a Stage, for any given premises where water would be used, that is defined by the address of the premises, the day of the week, and hours of the day in the Stage charts, below.

District water: water provided by or through the District’s water system.

Domestic water use: water use for personal needs or for household or sanitary purposes such as drinking, bathing, heating, cooking, sanitation, or for cleaning a residence, business, industry, or institution.

District’s website: The District’s website where it posts meeting notices and other notices required by law.

Even-numbered addresses: premises with street addresses, box numbers, or rural postal route numbers ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8, as assigned or recognized by the USPS for mail delivery, and premises without assigned or recognized addresses.

Outdoor area: an area not enclosed within a building, a building porch, or a similar structure, whether publicly or privately owned, including lawns, gardens, earthen areas, golf courses, parks, natural areas, ponds, water courses, and rights-of-way and medians.

Odd-numbered addresses: premises with street addresses, box numbers, or rural postal route numbers ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9, as assigned or recognized by the USPS for mail delivery, and premises without assigned or recognized addresses.

Public Notification: written notice posted on the District’s Website.

Stage: A time period that begins when the Stage in question is initiated and ends when the Stage is terminated, as provided in Stage charts below.

Supply conditions: Certain conditions that, if present, could adversely affect the District’s water supply, as follows:

- (a) Total available and usable water storage capacity in the District’s system (ground storage plus elevated storage, excluding hydrotanks) is below 2.2 million gallons and will be below that level for 24 hours or longer.
- (b) The static water level in any two or more of the District’s wells is below 400 feet below natural ground during June, July, August or September of any year.

- (c) A water plant in the District’s system is not operable and will not become operable within 72 hours.
- (d) Two or more water plants in the District’s system are not operable and will not become operable within 72 hours.
- (e) Total water pumped or received by the District’s system is exceeding--and is expected to continue exceeding--either of the following rates: (i) 2.0 million gallons in 24 hours, or (ii) 3.6 million gallons in 72 hours.
- (f) Storage tanks, at any District plant site, are not filling above 80% of capacity (aggregate for the plant site) overnight.

Section VIII: Triggers, Targets, Responses, Violations, Etc., for Stage

The triggers (or criteria for initiation) described in the Stage charts, below, are based on experience with the District’s water system under drought of record conditions and system design capacity limits. During each Stage, the specified responses (management practices and restrictions on water use, including prohibitions and violations) shall apply, as shown in the Stage charts, below.

Stage 1 (Mild)

Initiation (triggers)	<p>Initiation by Administrator. The Administrator shall initiate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of initiation, when the Administrator determines that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) one or two of the Supply Conditions are present; or (b) because of impairment or damage to District facilities or water supply (including possible contamination), or because of fire, explosion, leaking water, shortage of fuel or electrical power, shortage of chemicals or other supplies, strikes or labor shortages, weather conditions (current or forecasted), environmental conditions, system-related conditions, water demand (current or forecasted), or similar conditions, the supply management and demand reduction responses for this Stage will help to preserve or protect the District’s system, the District’s water supplies, or public health or safety; or (c) a law, rule, regulation, or agreement between the District and a governmental entity requires initiation of this Stage. <p>Initiation by Board. The Board may initiate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of initiation, if it determines that supply management and demand reduction responses for this Stage will help to preserve or protect the District’s system or the public health or safety, or that such responses will help the District comply with a law, rule, regulation, or agreement between the District and a governmental entity.</p>									
Target	Achieve a 5% reduction in the daily quantity of water pumped or received by the District.									
Supply management responses	During this Stage, the District will: (1) use reasonable efforts to identify and correct conditions that cause loss of water from the District’s system and (2) use reasonable efforts to reduce irrigation of landscaped areas controlled by the District.									
Demand reduction responses	<p>Designated watering periods. During this Stage, the designated watering periods are defined by the address of the premises where the water is used, the days of the week, and hours of the day, as follows:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>Premises where water is used</i></th> <th><i>Days of the week</i></th> <th><i>Hours of the day</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Even-numbered addresses</td> <td>Sundays and Thursdays</td> <td>Before 10:00 AM and after 8:00 PM</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Odd-numbered addresses</td> <td>Saturdays and Wednesdays</td> <td>Before 10:00 AM and after 8:00 PM</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Voluntary measures. During this Stage, customers are requested to voluntarily:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) <i>Limit Irrigation.</i> Use District water to irrigate outdoor areas only during designated watering periods or irrigate outdoor areas only by means of a hand-held hose, a faucet-filled bucket or can (five gal. or less), or a drip irrigation system. (b) <i>Conserve water.</i> Practice water conservation and minimize or discontinue water use for non-essential purposes. 	<i>Premises where water is used</i>	<i>Days of the week</i>	<i>Hours of the day</i>	Even-numbered addresses	Sundays and Thursdays	Before 10:00 AM and after 8:00 PM	Odd-numbered addresses	Saturdays and Wednesdays	Before 10:00 AM and after 8:00 PM
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Termination	<p>Termination by Administrator. The Administrator shall terminate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of termination, when the Administrator determines that the condition(s) leading to initiation of this Stage are not present.</p> <p>Termination by Board. The Board may terminate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of termination, when the Board determines that the condition(s) leading to initiation of this Stage are not present.</p> <p>Automatic termination. This Stage is automatically terminated when any other Stage is initiated.</p>									

Stage 2 (Moderate)

<p>Initiation (triggers)</p>	<p>Initiation by Administrator. The Administrator shall initiate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of initiation, when the Administrator determines that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) three of the Supply Conditions are present; or (b) because of impairment or damage to District facilities or water supply (including possible contamination), or because of fire, explosion, leaking water, shortage of fuel or electrical power, shortage of chemicals or other supplies, strikes or labor shortages, weather conditions (current or forecasted), environmental conditions, system-related conditions, water demand (current or forecasted), or similar conditions, the supply management and demand reduction responses for this Stage will help to preserve or protect the District’s system, the District’s water supplies, or public health or safety; or (c) a law, rule, regulation, or agreement between the District and a governmental entity requires initiation of this Stage. <p>Initiation by Board. The Board may initiate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of initiation, if it determines that supply management and demand reduction responses for this Stage will help to preserve or protect the District’s system or the public health or safety, or that such responses will help the District comply with a law, rule, regulation, or agreement between the District and a governmental entity.</p>									
<p>Target</p>	<p>Achieve a 10% reduction in the daily quantity of water pumped or received by the District.</p>									
<p>Supply management responses</p>	<p>During this Stage, the District will: (1) increase its efforts to identify and correct conditions that cause loss of water from the District’s system and (2) reduce irrigation of landscaped areas controlled by the District.</p>									
<p>Demand reduction responses</p>	<p>Designated watering periods. During this Stage, the designated watering periods are defined by the address of the premises where the water is used, the days of the week, and hours of the day, as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="342 850 1333 961"> <thead> <tr> <th>Premises where water is used</th> <th>Days of the week</th> <th>Hours of the day</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Even-numbered addresses</td> <td>Sundays and Thursdays</td> <td>Before 10:00 AM and after 8:00 PM</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Odd-numbered addresses</td> <td>Saturdays and Wednesdays</td> <td>Before 10:00 AM and after 8:00 PM</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Prohibitions. During this Stage, the following are all prohibited, and each is a violation of this Plan (but authorization by a special permit or variance shall be an affirmative defense to a violation; see Section X):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) <i>Certain irrigation.</i> Using District water to irrigate any outdoor area. <i>Exceptions:</i> (1) During a designated watering period, irrigation through a hose or irrigation system is allowed. (2) At any time, irrigation by means of a hand-held hose, a faucet-filled bucket or can (five gal. or less), or a drip irrigation system is allowed. (b) <i>Car washing, etc.</i> Using District water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle, except: (1) washing vehicles during a designated watering period by means of a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle for quick rinses; and (2) washing vehicles on the immediate premises of a commercial car wash or commercial service station. (c) <i>Pool-filling, etc.</i> Using District water to fill, refill, or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pool, wading pool, or Jacuzzi-type pool, except during a designated watering period. (d) <i>Aesthetic purposes.</i> Using District water for aesthetic purposes. (e) <i>Fire hydrants.</i> Using District water from a fire hydrant or flushing valve, except: (1) for firefighting or related activities; (2) as necessary to maintain public health or safety; or (3) for system maintenance or other District operations. (f) <i>Restaurants.</i> Serving District water to a restaurant patron, unless requested by the patron. (g) <i>Sidewalks, driveways, etc.</i> Using District water to wash any sidewalk, walkway, driveway, parking area, tennis court, or other hard-surfaced area. (h) <i>Washing buildings or structures.</i> Using District water to wash the exterior of any building or structure, except for firefighting or fire protection. (i) <i>Dust control.</i> Using District water for dust control. (j) <i>Gutters, etc.</i> Using District water to flush gutters or allowing District Water to run or accumulate in any gutter or street area (public or private). (k) <i>Leaks.</i> Failing or refusing to repair (or otherwise stop) a controllable leak of District water on any premises within a reasonable time after a person controlling the premises becomes aware of the leak. 	Premises where water is used	Days of the week	Hours of the day	Even-numbered addresses	Sundays and Thursdays	Before 10:00 AM and after 8:00 PM	Odd-numbered addresses	Saturdays and Wednesdays	Before 10:00 AM and after 8:00 PM
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<p>Termination</p>	<p>Termination by Administrator. The Administrator shall terminate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of termination, when the Administrator determines that the condition(s) leading to initiation of this Stage are not present.</p> <p>Termination by Board. The Board may terminate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of termination, when the Board determines that the condition(s) leading to initiation of this Stage are not present.</p> <p>Automatic termination. This Stage is automatically terminated when any other Stage is initiated.</p>									

Stage 3 (Severe)

<p>Initiation (triggers)</p>	<p>Initiation by Administrator. The Administrator shall initiate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of initiation, when the Administrator determines that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) four of the Supply Conditions are present; or (b) because of impairment or damage to District facilities or water supply (including possible contamination), or because of fire, explosion, leaking water, shortage of fuel or electrical power, shortage of chemicals or other supplies, strikes or labor shortages, weather conditions (current or forecasted), environmental conditions, system-related conditions, water demand (current or forecasted), or similar conditions, the supply management and demand reduction responses for this Stage will help to preserve or protect the District’s system, the District’s water supplies, or public health or safety; or (c) a law, rule, regulation, or agreement between the District and a governmental entity requires initiation of this Stage. <p>Initiation by Board. The Board may initiate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of initiation, if it determines that supply management and demand reduction responses for this Stage will help to preserve or protect the District’s system or the public health or safety, or that such responses will help the District comply with a law, rule, regulation, or agreement between the District and a governmental entity.</p>									
<p>Target</p>	<p>Achieve a 15% reduction in the daily quantity of water pumped or received by the District.</p>									
<p>Supply management responses</p>	<p>During this Stage, the District will: (1) increase its efforts to identify and correct conditions that cause loss of water from the District’s system, (2) reduce irrigation of landscaped areas controlled by the District; and (3) investigate possible alternative water sources.</p>									
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Stage 4 (Critical)

<p>Initiation (triggers)</p>	<p>Initiation by Administrator. The Administrator shall initiate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of initiation, when the Administrator determines that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) five of the Supply Conditions are present; or (b) because of impairment or damage to District facilities or water supply (including possible contamination), or because of fire, explosion, leaking water, shortage of fuel or electrical power, shortage of chemicals or other supplies, strikes or labor shortages, weather conditions (current or forecasted), environmental conditions, system-related conditions, water demand (current or forecasted), or similar conditions, the supply management and demand reduction responses for this Stage will help to preserve or protect the District’s system, the District’s water supplies, or public health or safety; or (c) a law, rule, regulation, or agreement between the District and a governmental entity requires initiation of this Stage. <p>Initiation by Board. The Board may initiate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of initiation, if it determines that supply management and demand reduction responses for this Stage will help to preserve or protect the District’s system or the public health or safety, or that such responses will help the District comply with a law, rule, regulation, or agreement between the District and a governmental entity.</p>									
<p>Target</p>	<p>Achieve a 20% reduction in the daily quantity of water pumped or received by the District.</p>									
<p>Supply management responses</p>	<p>During this Stage, the District will: (1) increase its efforts to identify and correct conditions that cause loss of water from the District’s system; (2) reduce irrigation of landscaped areas controlled by the District; (3) begin acquisition of, or arrangements for, alternative water sources, if feasible; and (4) suspend new, additional, expanded, or increased-in-size water connections, meters, service lines, pipeline extensions, mains, and water service facilities.</p>									
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Stage 5 (Emergency)

<p>Initiation (triggers)</p>	<p>Initiation by Administrator. The Administrator shall initiate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of initiation, when the Administrator determines that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) six or more of the Supply Conditions are present; or (b) because of impairment or damage to District facilities or water supply (including possible contamination), or because of fire, explosion, leaking water, shortage of fuel or electrical power, shortage of chemicals or other supplies, strikes or labor shortages, weather conditions (current or forecasted), environmental conditions, system-related conditions, water demand (current or forecasted), or similar conditions, the supply management and demand reduction responses for this Stage will help to preserve or protect the District’s system, the District’s water supplies, or public health or safety; or (c) a law, rule, regulation, or agreement between the District and a governmental entity requires initiation of this Stage. <p>Initiation by Board. The Board may initiate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of initiation, if it determines that supply management and demand reduction responses for this Stage will help to preserve or protect the District’s system or the public health or safety, or that such responses will help the District comply with a law, rule, regulation, or agreement between the District and a governmental entity.</p>
<p>Target</p>	<p>Achieve a 25% reduction in the daily quantity of water pumped or received by the District.</p>
<p>Supply management responses</p>	<p>During this Stage, the District will: (1) increase its efforts to identify and correct conditions that cause loss of water from the District’s system; (2) cease irrigation of landscaped areas controlled by the District; and (3) obtain and use water from alternative water sources, if feasible.</p>
<p>Demand reduction responses</p>	<p>Designated watering periods. During this Stage, there are no designated watering periods.</p> <p>Prohibitions. During this Stage, the following are all prohibited, and each is a violation of this Plan (but authorization by a special permit or variance shall be an affirmative defense to a violation; see Section X):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) <i>Irrigation.</i> Using District water to irrigate any outdoor area. (b) <i>Car washing, etc.</i> Using District water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle. (c) <i>Pool-filling, etc.</i> Using District water to fill, refill, or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pool, wading pool, or Jacuzzi-type pool. (d) <i>Aesthetic purposes.</i> Using District water for aesthetic purposes. (e) <i>Fire hydrants.</i> Using District water from a fire hydrant or flushing valve, except: (1) for firefighting or related activities; (2) as necessary to maintain public health or safety; or (3) for system maintenance or other District operations. Using District water from a fire hydrant for construction purposes as authorized by a special permit is also prohibited and shall be a violation of this Plan. (f) <i>Restaurants.</i> Serving District water to a restaurant patron, unless requested by the patron. (g) <i>Sidewalks, driveways, etc.</i> Using District water to wash any sidewalk, walkway, driveway, parking area, tennis court, or other hard-surfaced area. (h) <i>Washing buildings or structures.</i> Using District water to wash the exterior of any building or structure, except for firefighting or fire protection. (i) <i>Dust control.</i> Using District water for dust control. (j) <i>Gutters, etc.</i> Using District water to flush gutters or allowing District Water to run or accumulate in any gutter or street area (public or private). (k) <i>Leaks.</i> Failing or refusing to repair (or otherwise stop) a controllable leak of District water on any premises as soon as possible after a person controlling the premises becomes aware of the leak.
<p>Termination</p>	<p>Termination by Administrator. The Administrator shall terminate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of termination, when the Administrator determines that the condition(s) leading to initiation of this Stage are not present.</p> <p>Termination by Board. The Board may terminate this Stage, by giving Public Notification of termination, when the Board determines that the condition(s) leading to initiation of this Stage are not present.</p> <p>Automatic termination. This Stage is automatically terminated when any other Stage is initiated.</p>

Section IX: Water Rate Increases

The Board may impose increases in water rates to help manage demand for water and to encourage conservation, either in the amounts shown below or in such different amounts as the Board may prescribe by amendment to this order:

Usage amount (gallons per month, each customer)	Amount of increase (additional charge per 1,000 gallons of usage--added to all other charges)
3,001 to 10,000	\$2.00
10,001 to 15,000	\$3.00
15,001 to 20,000	\$4.00
Over 20,000	\$5.00

Unless otherwise ordered by the Board, such increases shall: (i) apply to each customer beginning with the billing period during which the increases are first imposed--and shall apply to all usage during that billing period--and (ii) continue in effect for successive billing periods until the end of the billing period, for each customer, during which the last Stage is terminated (that is, until after no Stage is in effect), and such increases shall apply to all usage until the end of that billing period.

Section X: Enforcement

Authorizations to initiate enforcement actions are specified elsewhere in this Appendix. Penalties, suspension, discontinuation and other remedies specified in Section 17 of this order shall apply to violations of this Appendix, except that the following smaller penalties and different times to cure or correct violations (when so required by Section 17) apply to certain violations:

When violation occurs	Maximum penalty (each separate violation)	Time allowed to cure or correct a violation (when required by Sec. 17)
During Stage 1	\$50	20 days
During Stage 2	\$100	15 days
During Stage 3	\$200	10 days
During Stage 4	\$500	5 days
During State 5	\$750	2 days

Section XI: Special Permits, Variances, Etc.

The Administrator shall grant a special permit, in writing, to authorize, temporarily, a water use otherwise prohibited under this Plan if the Administrator determines that:

- (a) the person requesting the permit has applied in writing and paid an application fee of \$20.
- (b) the authorized use will help to preserve or protect public health or safety, or will prevent significant loss of, or damage to, real or personal property; and
- (c) the authorized use will not exceed 500 gallons on any day.

Such permits may contain: (i) conditions to reduce the authorized use to the lowest level practicable, for the shortest time necessary, and (ii) conditions necessary to enable the Administrator to make any of the required determinations. Each such permit shall expire at noon on the 180th day following its issuance, unless an earlier expiration is specified in the permit itself.

Both the granting of a permit and the failure to grant a permit within 35 days following an application are subject to administrative remedies specified elsewhere in this order. The other specified administrative remedies shall also apply, including interpretations and variances and appeals to state agencies, as applicable.