

News Release

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MCWD Reminds Customers that Level 3 Water Restrictions are Still in Effect

Irrigation season is over, but MCWD would like to remind the community that Level 3 Water Restrictions will remain in place until improved water/snowpack conditions allow for a change. It is important to consider water restrictions when planning landscaping projects for next year.

Mammoth Lakes, California – November 15, 2022 – Although our customers have winterized their irrigation systems for the season, it is important to keep in mind that Level 3 Restrictions are still in place. Implementing a less severe level of restriction, such as Level 2 or Level 1, would require a very large snowpack, which will be evaluated in April. MCWD’s conservation decisions have been consistent with the State of California’s orders in response to the ongoing drought.

“Meeting last summer’s irrigation demands was made possible by the efforts of our customers to cooperate with the reduced watering schedules.” said Clay Murray, Operations Superintendent. “When the customers cooperate with the watering restrictions, it gives confidence in our ability to manage the water supplies through the peak summer months.”

Under Level 3 restrictions, all rules of Level 0, 1, and 2 are in effect. Additionally, irrigation is only allowed two days per week. Variances from the watering schedule are not issued for new plantings and no reseeding or installation of turf is permitted. It is crucial to keep these regulations in mind when planning landscape projects for next year. The District understands advanced planning and ordering is required for landscape projects but doesn’t want our community to have excess plant material that can’t be used.

“I really appreciate the dedication our customers have to the environment in which we live. Having a community that understands the value and limitations of its water resources is imperative in helping the District carry out its mission. Thank you to all the Mammoth Lakes community for continuing to respect and value our most valuable resources.” – said Clay Murray, Operations Superintendent

The Water Shortage Contingency Plan has all the water restriction information in detail. You can find this as on the MCWD website at www.mcwd.dst.ca.us. The District appreciates all conservation efforts the community has made and is thankful for the support during these tough decisions.

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MCWD provides water and wastewater utility service to the Town of Mammoth Lakes and surrounding areas. MCWD strives to provide reliable, affordable utility service to our customers and to conduct our operations in a manner reflecting our stewardship role. We encourage our customers to practice responsible use of our limited water resources, and to take advantage of the information and services available to support this goal.