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La Palma City Council Adopts State Mandatory Watering Restrictions

LA PALMA, Calif. – This week the La Palma City Council voted to adopt a Resolution declaring a drought emergency, that implements the State’s emergency water conservation regulations, including restrictions on outdoor watering. Outdoor watering of landscape is now restricted to two days per week according to the following schedule:

- Even numbered houses and businesses (address ending in even numbers) may water on **TUESDAYS** and **SATURDAYS**.
- Odd numbered houses and businesses (address ending in odd numbers) may water on **WEDNESDAYS** and **SUNDAYS**.
- City owned facilities, parks, and medians will be watered on **MONDAYS** and **FRIDAYS**.
- All landscape watering must be completed, overnight between **6 PM to 9 AM** the following day.

For example, a resident at 7822 Walker Street will be allowed to water on Tuesday and Saturday evenings after 6 PM until 9 AM the next day.

Additional restrictions include:

- No washing down of hard surfaces, like driveways and sidewalks.
- Watering which causes excessive runoff into the street is prohibited.
- Vehicle washing with a hose is prohibited unless an automatic shut off nozzle is used.
- Use of potable water in fountains or other decorative water features is prohibited unless the water is recirculated.



These watering restrictions are in direct response to the State’s regulations that went into effect on August 1st. Additionally, the City introduced a local Ordinance amending Chapter 42, Article VII of the La Palma Municipal Code, regarding Conservation and Water Management. This amendment will bring the City’s Municipal Code up to current standards and will allow the City more flexibility in managing the

local water supply and possibly providing less stringent regulations going forward. A Public Hearing regarding the Ordinance amendment is scheduled for September 2, 2014, with a second reading and adoption planned.

Community education and awareness is the key to understanding California's severe drought and adhering to the new State regulations. The City of La Palma will provide information, resources, and rebate information to water customers – as it is incumbent upon all water users to conserve wherever possible. If you would like more information on how you can conserve water, please visit www.bewaterwise.com, the City's website at www.cityoflapalma.org, or contact the Community Services Water Division at (714) 690-3310.

About the City of La Palma

Ranked by Money Magazine in 2007, 2011, and 2013 as one of America's Best Places to Live, the City of La Palma is a 1.9 square mile general law city in northwest Orange County, consisting of 15,568 residents and 482 commercial and industrial businesses. The City was incorporated in 1955 under the name of Dairyland and has 55 full-time and 35 part-time employees.

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