



RED RIVER AUTHORITY OF TEXAS



WATER USE CURTAILMENT ORDER ALERT – STAGE 1 HINDS WATER SYSTEM September 18, 2026

Current levels in the Seymour Aquifer have warranted the City of Vernon to trigger Stage 2 Drought watch. As a wholesale customer of the City, the Authority has been requested to reduce its demand. Therefore, the Authority is implementing this **Stage 1 Water Use Curtailment Order** in accordance with the Drought Contingency Plan for the Lake Arrowhead Water System.

The following **Voluntary Water Use Restrictions** are in effect immediately and will remain in effect until further notice:

1. **Watering will be limited to two days a week; even-numbered addresses can water on Mondays and Thursdays, odd-numbered addresses can water on Tuesdays and Fridays.**
2. **Outside watering utilizing sprinklers or irrigations systems will only be allowed on between 10:00 am and 7:00 pm.**
3. **There is no irrigation (watering) system operation with broken components or leaks.**
4. **Spray irrigation cannot run down the curb more than 100 feet.**
5. **Bubbler, drip, or soaker irrigation cannot run the curb for more than five (5) feet but is allowed any time or day.**
6. **If washing vehicles at home, the hose must have a positive shutoff nozzle.**

Red River Authority personnel will be monitoring usage and assisting customers in complying with the restrictions.

In order for the system to continue to provide the water required to meet the most critical needs, the Authority respectfully requests your full cooperation and assistance in this matter. A notice of termination of same will be issued once the Authority is notified by the City that restrictions can be reduced or alleviated. However, should conditions worsen, more stringent restrictions may be implemented.

For more information on the statewide drought conditions, please refer to the TCEQ's website at www.tceq.texas.gov/response/drought.

Should you require further information on the water restrictions or have any questions, please contact the Authority's main office at (940) 723-8697.