

NOTICE TO DEVENS WATER CUSTOMERS WATER USE RESTRICTIONS ARE IN EFFECT

Devens Water Use Restrictions in Effect – Starting October 16, 2024

The Massachusetts Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary has declared a Level 1 – Mild Drought for the Devens area. Per MassDEP's requirements in our water permit, all nonessential outdoor water uses are restricted to no more than one day per week, before 9 a.m. and after 5 p.m., except that watering of ornamentals and flower gardens with drip irrigation, hand-held house or watering cans are permitted.

These water use restrictions will remain in place until the drought level is changed by the Secretary.

Nonessential water usage that is not allowed between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. or for more than one day per week includes:

- Irrigation of lawns via sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems
- Washing of vehicles, except in a commercial car wash or as necessary for operator safety
- Washing of external building surfaces, parking lots, driveways or sidewalks, except as necessary to apply surface treatments such as paint, preservatives, stucco, pavement or cement

In addition to the above restrictions, if our customers could postpone any other activities that might require significant water usage until further notice, that would help reduce the potential impact of the drought on water supplies.

Please call Jim Moore at (978) 784-2931 or Mark Cohen at (978) 784-2911 if you have any questions about these water use restrictions.