



### DON'T WASTE WATER: CONSERVE DURING HOT PERIODS

Everyone likes a green, lush lawn.

Everyone also likes to have water flow when they turn on their faucets.

As sweltering summer weather reaches its peak, there are a few steps customers can take to stop potential shortages before they start and save money in the process.

- Water early in the morning, which ensures more water soaks into the lawn or garden.
- If using a sprinkler system, set a timer and make sure the system is in good working order.
- Fix leaking spigots, and occasionally check for leaks in hoses and lines.

- Use a rain barrel or other system to recycle rainwater.
- Use landscaping, mulch and flower beds to keep water within the soil.
- Use a broom or leaf blowers to clear debris instead of a hose.
- Cut grass on a higher mower setting. This allows the grass to grow deeper roots and become more resilient.
- A simple test for checking if the lawn needs water: Step on it. If the grass springs back, it doesn't need watered.

These simple tips will help keep lawns looking lush and water flowing freely for everyone.



### HYDRANTS GET A FRESH COAT OF PAINT

Though what's inside fire hydrants is perhaps most important, being able to find them in an emergency is just as crucial.

The Utilities Department crews are finishing up the painting and refreshing of hydrants in August. By making sure hydrants are a uniform color, emergency crews can more

quickly locate them during an emergency. Residents can also do their part in making hydrants easily found by keeping them clear of shrubs, trees and landscaping. This includes two feet behind the hydrant and five feet on each side. Nothing should be planted between the hydrant and street.



### IT'S GOOD TO VENT

Even the coolest, calmest person needs to vent every now and then.

The same goes for yard vent caps that relieve air pressure in household sewer systems. Now is as good a time as any to check and replace those caps if needed.

The caps allow sewer gases to vent out rather than enter a building. They also keep water from entering the sanitary sewer line, causing that water to be treated and unnecessarily increasing the load on that system. Ultimately, that could lead to increased sewer costs.



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