

## SECTION 10 – CONSERVATION

### 10.1 Introduction

Conservation is required per the 1993 BBWD Water Delivery Contract Amendment. The voluntary conservation restrictions in this Section are designed to give the community a means to develop the best measures for the BBWD environment over a period of time. Conservation involves no real infrastructure challenges or significant capital costs, yet it effectively provides an additional resource by freeing up water that was previously consumed inefficiently or wasted. In this sense, it is one of the cheapest sources of water available to the community. It is also a resource over which we have almost complete control, because future availability depends more on our own efforts and less on influences outside the community.

The BBWD, as a member agency of the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA), is committed to continued water efficiency gains. The SNWA's Conservation Plan outlines programs and initiatives to reduce Southern Nevada's use of Colorado River supplies, which includes a mix of pricing, regulation, incentives and education.

In addition to the voluntary conservation restrictions provided in this Section, additional conservation measures may be defined as deemed necessary by government jurisdictions or the BBWD to enhance Laughlin's water efficiency.

### 10.2 Water Waste

As a condition of service, customers of the BBWD must use water delivered through the BBWD's system in a manner that promotes efficiency and avoids waste.

In the event of a conflict between the BBWD Service Rules and other applicable ordinances or regulations, the most stringent will prevail.

A. Water waste shall include:

1. Allowing water provided by BBWD to flow or spray off the property.
2. Failure to correct a malfunctioning device or supply line, where the customer or their agent has known of the problem for more than 48 hours.
3. Non-compliance with regulations regarding washing of vehicles, equipment, driveways, parking lots, sidewalks, streets or other surfaces or objects.
4. Discharging swimming pool or spa water drainage off the property where discharge into a public sanitary sewer is available.
5. Using spray irrigation (sprinklers) between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. from May 1st through August 31 each year.
6. Using spray irrigation (sprinklers) and non-spray irrigation (drip emitters) in excess of the seasonal water guide outlined in Section 10.5

### 10.3 Exemptions

Exemptions to various provisions of this section are outlined in the Water Use Exemptions table. The following exemptions shall apply.

Hand watering	Time of Day	Exempt
	Seasonal Watering Guide	Exempt
	Flow or Spray Off Property	Not Exempt
New Landscape <sup>1</sup>	Time of Day	Exempt 30 days
	Seasonal Watering Guide	Exempt 30 days
	Flow or Spray Off Property	Not Exempt
Supervised Testing	Time of Day	Exempt
	Seasonal Watering Guide	Exempt
	Flow or Spray Off Property	Exempt
Public Health and Welfare	Time of Day	Exempt
	Seasonal Watering Guide	Exempt
	Flow or Spray Off Property	Exempt
Residential Car Washing	Time of Day	Exempt
	Seasonal Watering Guide	Exempt
	Flow or Spray Off Property	Exempt for 5 Minutes
Non-Spray Irrigation	Time of Day	Exempt
	Seasonal Watering Guide	Not Exempt
	Flow or Spray Off Property	Not Exempt

Irrigation of Commercial Nursery Stock	Time of Day	Exempt
	Seasonal Watering Guide	Exempt
	Flow or Spray Off Property	Not Exempt
Syringing	Time of Day	Exempt
	Seasonal Watering Guide	Exempt
	Flow or Spray Off Property	Not Exempt
Overseeding <sup>1,2</sup>	Time of Day	Exempt 30 Days
	Seasonal Watering Guide	Exempt 30 Days
	Flow or Spray Off Property	Not Exempt

<sup>1</sup>Customer must contact BBWD prior to change in irrigation schedule. Must be in compliance with all applicable codes and conservation restrictions.

<sup>2</sup>Exemption limited to one 30-day period per calendar year. No cool season grass plantings May – August.

#### 10.4 Compliance with Water Efficiency and Conservation Codes

For compliance information on water efficiency and landscape codes, refer, to [https://library.municode.com/nv/clark\\_county/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances](https://library.municode.com/nv/clark_county/codes/code_of_ordinances). Search for Title 24, or Title 30.

**10.5 Conservation Restrictions**

- a. Irrigation Restrictions for Properties
  - 1. Between May 1st and August 31st of each calendar year, it shall be considered water waste to spray irrigate outdoor vegetation between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
  - 2. It shall be considered water waste to irrigate outdoor vegetation at variance with the following Seasonal Watering Guide, unless the property is designated as a Community Use Recreational Turf Area.

Winter November – February	One Day Per Week
Spring March – April	3 Days per Week
Summer May- August	Any Day
Fall September - October	3 Days per Week