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ATTENTION: Nueces County WCID #3 Water Customers:

STAGE 3 DROUGHT RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT

The District Manager of the Nueces County WCID #3 has determined that the District has entered in Stage 3 of the Drought Contingency Plan.

Customers shall be required to comply with the requirements and restrictions on certain non-essential water uses as laid out in the District's Water Contingency Plan. The Drought Contingency Plan in its entirety may be reviewed on our website @ <u>www.nueceswater3.com</u> or in our office at 501 East Main in Robstown, TX. Please call our office at (361) 387-4549 if you require further information.

Stage 3 Response – Critical Water Shortage Conditions

Under Stage 3, the District will:

Target: During Stage 3, achieve a 30% reduction in daily treated water demand relative to treated water demand with the water use restrictions below. An additional surcharge will be added to each utility bill during Stage 3 water shortage conditions, unless otherwise determined.

Best Management Practices for Supply Management:

In addition to the best management practices for supply management listed under Stage 2, the District will also do the following in Stage 3;

Upon written notification, disconnect the water meters of willful violators if absolutely necessary to prevent wasting of water.

Under Stage 3, water customers will:

Under threat of penalty for violation, the following water use restrictions shall apply to all persons:

(a) Foundation watering by drip irrigation, hand-held hose or small bucket is allowed on your designated watering days*.

(b) Lawn watering shall be limited to designated watering days* and shall be means of hand-held buckets, drip irrigation, or permanently installed automatic sprinkler system only. THE USE OF HOSE-END SPRINKLERS IS PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES.

(c) Vehicle washing may be done at any time on the immediate premises of a commercial car wash or commercial service station. Home car washing is limited to bucket (five gallons) washing on the designated watering days. * Further, such washing may be exempted from these regulations if the health, safety, and welfare of the public is contingent upon frequent vehicle cleansing, such as garbage trucks and vehicles used to transport food and perishables.

(d) Use of water to fill, refill, or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools, or Jacuzzi - type pools are allowed on designated watering days. *

(e) Operation of any ornamental fountain or pond for aesthetic or scenic purposes is prohibited except where necessary to support aquatic life or where such fountains or ponds are equipped with a recirculation system.

(f) Use of water from hydrants shall be limited for firefighting, related activities or other activities necessary to maintain public health, safety, and welfare, except that use of water from designated fire hydrants for construction purposes may be allowed under special permit.

(g) All restaurants are prohibited from serving water to patrons except upon request of the patron.

(h) The following uses of water are defined as non-essential and are prohibited:

1. Wash down of any sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts, or other hard surfaced areas;

2. Use of water to wash down buildings or structures for purposes other than immediate fire protection;

3. Use of water for dust control;

4. Flushing gutters or permitting water to run or accumulate in any gutter or street.

Thank you for your cooperation.

***Designated watering days** = Sundays and Thursdays for customers with a street address ending in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6 or 8), and Saturdays and Wednesdays for water customers with a street address ending in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7 or 9), and irrigation of landscaped areas is further limited to the hours of 12:00 midnight until 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight on designated watering days.