

CITY OF JAL
ORDINANCE NO. 2021-008
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 53:05 OF TITLE V: PUBLIC WORKS /
CHAPTER 51: WATER, WATER CONSERVATION §51.22 DROUGHT RESPONSE
LEVEL CRITERIA & WATER USE RESTRICTIONS

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The City Manager shall implement the water conservation level he or she deems necessary in order to protect the integrity of the city's water system. After public notice, failure to comply with mandatory restrictions is a violation of this section.

(A) *Level 1, voluntary conservation.* Customers are requested to voluntarily practice water conservation and to minimize or discontinue water use for nonessential purposes. The City Manager may implement level 1 when one or more of the following conditions occur:

(1) *Condition 1.* When water use exceeds 90% of the current maximum flow rate for three consecutive days.

(2) *Condition 2.* When short-term deficiencies in the city's distribution system limit supply capabilities.

(B) *Level 2, water warning.* The City Manager may implement level 2 when one or more of the following conditions occur:

(1) *Condition 1.* When water use exceeds 100% of the current maximum flow rate for five consecutive days.

(2) *Condition 2.* When water use exceeds 103% of the current maximum flow rate for three consecutive days.

(3) *Condition 3.* When short-term deficiencies in the city's distribution system limit supply capabilities, such as system outage due to the failure or damage of major water system components.

(4) *Condition 4.* When the city is unable to replenish adequate volumes of water in storage to provide for health and safety.

(C) *Level 3, mandatory water use restrictions.* The following mandatory water restrictions shall remain in effect from May 15th thru September 15th or during level 3 water use restrictions. Violators may be prosecuted in municipal court.

(1) Landscape watering will be limited to three times per week, based on the last digit of the service address. Addresses with odd numbers will be restricted to watering on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays only. Addresses with even numbers will be restricted to watering on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays only. Landscape watering will not be permitted

on Sundays. Watering will not be allowed between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Properties having multiple addresses will be identified by the lowest address number. If no address number exists, the City Manager will designate one.

(2) Use of water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle is prohibited, except on the designated landscape watering days. This washing, when allowed, shall be done with a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle for quick rinses. Vehicle washing may be done at any time on the immediate premises of a commercial car wash or commercial service station.

(3) Use of water for the draining and refilling of any indoor swimming pool or jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited, except for water used to refill pools which have undergone repair or are newly constructed.

(4) With the exception of golf course greens and tee boxes, which may be watered without restriction, the watering of all other city parks and properties must comply with the three times per week rotation schedule specified for landscape watering.

(5) Wasted water and the use of water for nonessential purposes is prohibited.

(D) *Level 4, water emergency conditions.* The City Manager may implement level 4 when one or more of the following conditions occur:

(1) *Condition 1.* Short-term deficiencies in the city's distribution system limit supply capabilities, such as a system outage due to the failure or damage of major water system components.

(2) *Condition 2.* Inability to maintain or replenish adequate volumes of water in storage to provide for public health and safety.

(E) *Level 4, mandatory water use restrictions.* The following mandatory water restrictions shall remain in effect during level 4.

(1) All requirements of level 3 shall remain in effect during level 4.

(2) Landscape watering and residential car washing will be prohibited between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. and is limited to twice per week. Addresses with odd numbers will be restricted to watering on Tuesday and Saturday. Addresses with even numbers will be restricted to watering on Monday and Friday.

(3) All water used for construction or drilling purposes is prohibited.

(F) *Level 5, water crisis conditions.* The City Manager may implement level 5

when one or more of the following conditions occur:

(1) *Condition 1.* Short-term deficiencies in the city's distribution system limit supply capabilities, such as a system outage due to the failure or damage of major water system components.

(2) *Condition 2.* Inability to maintain or replenish adequate volumes of water in storage to provide for public health and safety.

(G) *Level 5, mandatory water use restrictions.* The following mandatory water restrictions shall remain in effect during level 5.

(1) All requirements of levels 2, 3 and 4 shall remain in effect during level 5.

(2) All landscape watering is prohibited.

(3) Use of water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle not in the immediate interest of public health, safety, and welfare is prohibited.

(4) The filling, refilling, or adding of water to swimming pools and jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited.

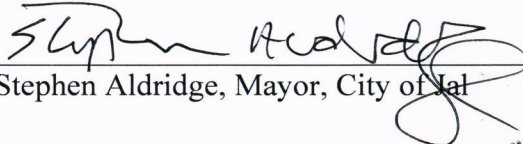
(H) *Level 6, emergency water shortage conditions.* The City Manager may implement level 6 when one or more of the following conditions occur:

(1) *Condition 1.* Major water line breaks, or pump or system failures occur, which cause unprecedented loss of capability to provide water service.

(2) *Condition 2.* Natural or manmade contamination of the water supply.

(I) *Level 6, water use restrictions.* The City Manager will determine what stage of this plan should be implemented and the specific water use restrictions that are necessary to protect the water system and provide adequate water supply for public consumption and hygiene.

Passed and Approved, by the Governing Body of the City of Jal, New Mexico, at the Special Meeting on May 17th, 2021.


Stephen Aldridge, Mayor, City of Jal

ATTEST:


Molly Sanchez, City Clerk

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