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Residents Reminded to Voluntarily Conserve

Harrisonburg, Va. – The city of Harrisonburg’s Public Utilities Department continues monitoring the demands on its water resources in light of recent drought conditions throughout the region.

The city of Harrisonburg has two surface water sources (Dry River and North River) that are used to provide drinkable water to the city’s customers. This department is responsible for delivering approximately 7.14 millions of gallons of water per day and at peak, 10 million gallons per day.

“We are fortunate to have such reliable, natural water sources to service our customers on a daily basis,” explained Mike Collins, director of the Public Utilities Department. “With that being said, it is never a bad idea to be a good steward to the environment and voluntarily conserve water, when possible.”

Currently, both water sources are able to meet the needed supply; however, the department encourages city water customers to be mindful of the surrounding drought conditions and conserve when possible. A significant level of water conservation can be achieved without major lifestyle changes.

A list of recommended conservation practices can be found at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/water-conservation-efforts.

Each week, the Public Utilities Department updates the current water flow and conditions or triggers that would lead to voluntary, mandatory, or emergency conservation levels, which is available for the public to view [online](#).

Residents are encouraged to visit www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/water for additional information on water quality and conservation and the overall operations of the Public Utilities Department.

*The **Harrisonburg Public Utilities Department** is responsible for providing water and sewer services to residences and businesses. The Department currently manages approximately 16,000 accounts. For more information about these functions of the city, visit www.harrisonburgva.gov/public-utilities.*



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