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The Manchester Water Department Advisory to Customers on Water Conservation

The Town of Manchester Water Department is continuing its call for water conservation from all citizens, businesses, institutions, and users of the potable water supply because the levels of the Town’s reservoirs are still below 70 percent (62.2%) of capacity due to the lack of precipitation. Although the Town has received heavy rain the past two days, we are behind in our average rainfall for the year. Hopefully a change in rain patterns will reverse our present drought.

The conservation advisory requests that all users voluntarily conserve water by taking shorter showers, running dishwashers and washing machines only with full loads, shutting off the water while washing hands, shaving and brushing teeth. Even though most customers have curtailed outside water usages, please do not power wash buildings, sidewalks, driveways and reduce the frequency of washing vehicles. If you haven’t done so already do not water lawns and gardens. It is also recommended that any leaky plumbing fixtures be repaired or replaced with low-flow devices.

The Water Department will continue to monitor the level of the reservoirs and will lift the advisory once the reservoir capacities return to normal. In the event conditions worsen, the Town may need to implement additional conservation measures in accordance with the Drought Contingency Plan. This may include mandatory use restrictions in order to ensure an adequate supply of water is available for normal domestic consumption and fire protection.

The Town of Manchester thanks all of our water customers for their participation in these voluntary conservation efforts. By being proactive, we hope to avoid any mandatory restrictions of water usage. For further information, please call us at (860) 647-3115 or visit our website at https://waterandsewer.townofmanchester.org/ and click on the “Water Supply Status” link.

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