

EXTREME WATER SHORTAGE UPDATE

FOR ALACHUA COUNTY - 5/15/26



COUNTYWIDE RESTRICTIONS

- Non-essential water use is prohibited. This includes aesthetic water features and pressure/soft-washing for cosmetic purposes
- HOAs may not enforce deed restrictions or community standards requiring water use, such as landscape replacement or pressure washing for aesthetic reasons
- Landscape irrigation is limited to one day per week

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(YELLOW AREAS, GAINESVILLE, HAWTHORNE, MICANOPY)

The following apply to potable water and wells

Irrigation Restrictions

Turn systems off and irrigate only if necessary, before 8 am or after 6 pm, a maximum of one day/week as follows:

Odd house #: Saturday

Even house #: Sunday

Non-residential: Tuesday

Establishment

Postpone planting new landscapes. Establishment irrigation is limited to the 15/30/15 rule and the minimum amount water needed:

Initial 15 days - any day

Next 30 days - up to 3 days/week

Next 15 days - up to 2 days/week

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(ALL OTHER AREAS)

The following apply to potable water and wells

Irrigation Restrictions

Turn systems off and irrigate only if necessary, before 10 am or after 4 pm, a maximum of one day/week as follows:

Odd house #: Saturday

Even house #: Sunday

Non-residential: Tuesday

Establishment

Postpone planting new landscapes. Establishment irrigation is limited to 2 days/week and the minimum amount of water needed:

Odd house #: Wed and/or Sat

Even house #: Thu and/or Sun

Non-residential: Tue and/or Fri

