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SUMMER 2008 WATER USAGE AND RESTRICTIONS

The City of Hiawassee had adopted those outdoor watering restrictions as ordered by the Director of the Environmental Protection Division of the State of Georgia. Under a declared Drought Response Level Four, most types of outdoor water is prohibited with limited commercial exemptions. Exemptions are allowed for the filling of swimming pools and some limited landscape watering. Additional exemptions may be found on the EPD Website.

www.georgiawaterplanning.org

The following uses are currently authorized by the state:

1. Hand watering will be allowed 25 minutes a day on an odd-even schedule between midnight and 10 a.m.
 - a. ODD-numbered address may hand water Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays
 - b. EVEN-numbered address may hand water Mondays, Wednesday and Saturdays
 - c. Hand watering is defined as one person with one garden house.
2. New landscape can be watered up to three days a week from 12:00 midnight to 10:00 A.M. for a period of 10 weeks based on the odd-even schedule.

Anyone wishing to water new landscaping must register with the Outdoor Water Use Registration Program. The program is hosted on the Urban Agricultural Council web site at www.urbanagcouncil.com. Georgians may also contact their county extension agents for assistance in getting registered.

More information about the drought and water conservation can be found at www.georgiadrought.org. Further information may also be obtained by contacting the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, 2 Martin Luther King Jr., Dr, Suite 1152 East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334, Carol A. Couch, Ph.D., Director, Environmental Protection Division, (404) 656-4713.