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Request for Voluntary Water Conservation Efforts

The City is requesting Forks residents undertake voluntary efforts to reduce water usage. Despite the much-needed rain we are currently enjoying, the Westend is having a drier than normal summer. Further, the weather forecast for the next seven to ten days is projecting a return to dry conditions. The City of Forks utilizes deep underground wells to supply the community with water. We are continuing to see our well levels drop. As a result of this, there is a need for voluntary reductions in water usage and consumption. On behalf of the City, we are asking residents to implement the following *voluntary* water conservation measures immediately:

- *Limit watering* of outdoor plants, gardens and yards to less than thirty minutes every other day with such watering occurring in the early morning or late evening.
- Limit washing of vehicles to once every five to seven days unless required as in the case of commercial trucks and equipment.

Water customers can also help to conserve water by ensuring that their dishwashers and clothes washers are used to wash full loads. Even small efforts, such as turning off the water while brushing your teeth can be of help.

The City appreciates any help from you in ensuring that our water resources are there for all of us during the entire summer. With your help, it's hoped that it will only be voluntary water restrictions in place this summer.

Tim Fletcher

Mayor

Paul Hampton Public Works Director