



## Outdoor Watering Limited to Three Times Per Week

*Key Component of Conservation Is Watering Schedule*

**STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO-May 9, 2022**-As spring greens up with grasses, flowers and plants taking root and sprinkler systems being programmed across the Yampa Valley, the city reminds homeowners and landscape contractors that outdoor watering is limited to three times per week.

“When every drop counts, this schedule focuses our use more efficiently and aids in reducing overall water usage across the system,” said Michelle Carr, Distribution & Collection Manager. “While we’re fortunate to live where we do, our water is not an unlimited resource and every step to conserve ensures it lasts.”

The watering schedule limits customers to outdoor watering three days per week per the Water Conservation Plan, adopted in April 2020. Currently, around 30% of the community’s treated water supplies is applied outdoors to lawns and gardens.

Potable water used for outdoor watering is permitted between 6pm and 10am, and watering days are based on the last number (even or odd) of a customer’s address. There is no outdoor watering on Wednesday.



“We are blessed to live in a traditionally snowy, headwaters community where high-quality drinking water is rarely scarce,” said Water Resources Manager Julie Baxter. “But as we’ve seen over the past several summers, conserving this resource is imperative as we face continued drought conditions and environmental stresses on our waterways.”

Landscape companies, property managers, and individual customers must set sprinkler systems to comply with the schedule. Exceptions to this watering schedule vary slightly between the city and water districts –see your water provider website for information.

The city established an online form to report water waste, which can be found [HERE](#) and goes directly to the city’s water team to investigate.

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