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**Another dry hot week is upon us and the City of Campbell River asks that residents continue being mindful of their water consumption.**

The City has experienced an increase in water consumption over the past few days and urges local residents to conserve water thus avoiding a stage 3 water restriction.

*“While the City greatly appreciated the conscientious use of water by local residents during our previous Stage 3 water restriction, we hope to avoid implementing the extreme limit in the future by asking residents to be diligent about their water usage.”, says Councillor Mary Storry.*

Presently we are at Stage 1 sprinkling restrictions which allow residents to water lawns during these times:

- Odd numbered house addresses may water only on odd numbered days from before 7:00 am and after 7:00 pm (*midnight to 7:00 am and 7:00 pm to midnight*)
- Even numbered house addresses may water only on even numbered days from before 7:00 am and after 7:00 pm (*midnight to 7:00 am and 7:00 pm to midnight*)

The City suggests that residents follow these guidelines for water conservation and lawn care:

- Mow lawns to a length of 3 inches or more, reducing moisture loss and sunburn.
- Set sprinklers to water for 20 minutes or less per lawn watering session.
- Water for a maximum of 2 sessions per week, encouraging deep root systems.
- Provide good aeration and drainage to create a healthy lawn.

City staff will continue to patrol the community for the remainder of July and the month of August. We will be educating people we notice using more water than necessary, and will be monitoring to ensure that residents are following the normal restrictions.

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