

**AGUA SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT  
DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN  
STAGE 3 – MANDATORY WATER USE RESTRICTIONS**

The Agua Special Utility District has implemented Stage 3 of its Drought Contingency Plan to be effective as of June 28, 2023. Customers are required to follow the Mandatory Water Use Restrictions to increase conservation efforts due to the drinking water treatment plants operating above 90% of their total daily capacity. The following **Mandatory Water Use Restrictions** shall apply to all Agua SUD customers:

***Stage 3 - Mandatory Water Use Restrictions.***

(A) Irrigation of landscaped areas with a hand-held hose, a faucet-filled bucket or watering can of five (5) gallons or less, or drip irrigation system shall be limited to:

- (i) Mondays for water customers in Green Watering Zone No. 1;
- (ii) Wednesdays for water customers in Yellow Watering Zone No. 2; and
- (iii) Fridays for water customers Red Watering Zone No. 3.

(B) Irrigation of landscaped areas is further limited to between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight on designated watering days. Landscape irrigation by means of hose-end sprinklers or automated sprinkler systems is prohibited at any time.

(C) Use of water to wash any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane or other vehicle is prohibited. Vehicle washing may be done at any time on the immediate premises of a commercial car wash or commercial service station. Further, such washing may be exempted from these regulations if the health, safety, and welfare of the public are contingent upon frequent vehicle cleansing, such as garbage trucks and vehicles used to transport food and perishables.

(D) Use of water to fill, refill, or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools, or “jacuzzi” type pool is prohibited.

(E) Operation of any ornamental fountain or pond for aesthetic or scenic purposes is prohibited except where necessary to support aquatic life or where such fountains or ponds are equipped with a recirculation system.

(F) Use of water from hydrants or flush valves shall be limited to maintaining public health, safety, and welfare.

(G) Use of water for the irrigation of golf courses, parks, and green belt area is prohibited unless the golf course utilizes a water source other than that of the District.

(4) The following uses of water are defined as nonessential and are prohibited:

(A) wash down of any sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts, or other hard-surfaced areas;

(B) use of water to wash down buildings or structures for purposes other than immediate fire protection;

(C) use of water for dust control;

(D) flushing gutters or permitting water to run or accumulate in any gutter or street;

(E) failure to repair a controllable leak(s) within a reasonable period after having been given notice directing the repair of such leak(s); and

(F) any waste of water.

(5) No applications for new, additional, expanded or increased-in-size water service connections, meters, service lines, pipeline extensions, mains, or water service facilities of any kind shall be allowed or approved.

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## ***Violations of the Drought Contingency Plan***

### ***Sec. 10-3. Violations of the Drought Contingency Plan.***

a. Upon the implementation of any of the mandatory stages of the drought contingency plan, each Customer shall comply with the requirements and restrictions imposed during the drought stage.

b. Failure to comply with the requirements and restrictions of any of the mandatory stages of the drought contingency plan shall result in the following civil penalties:

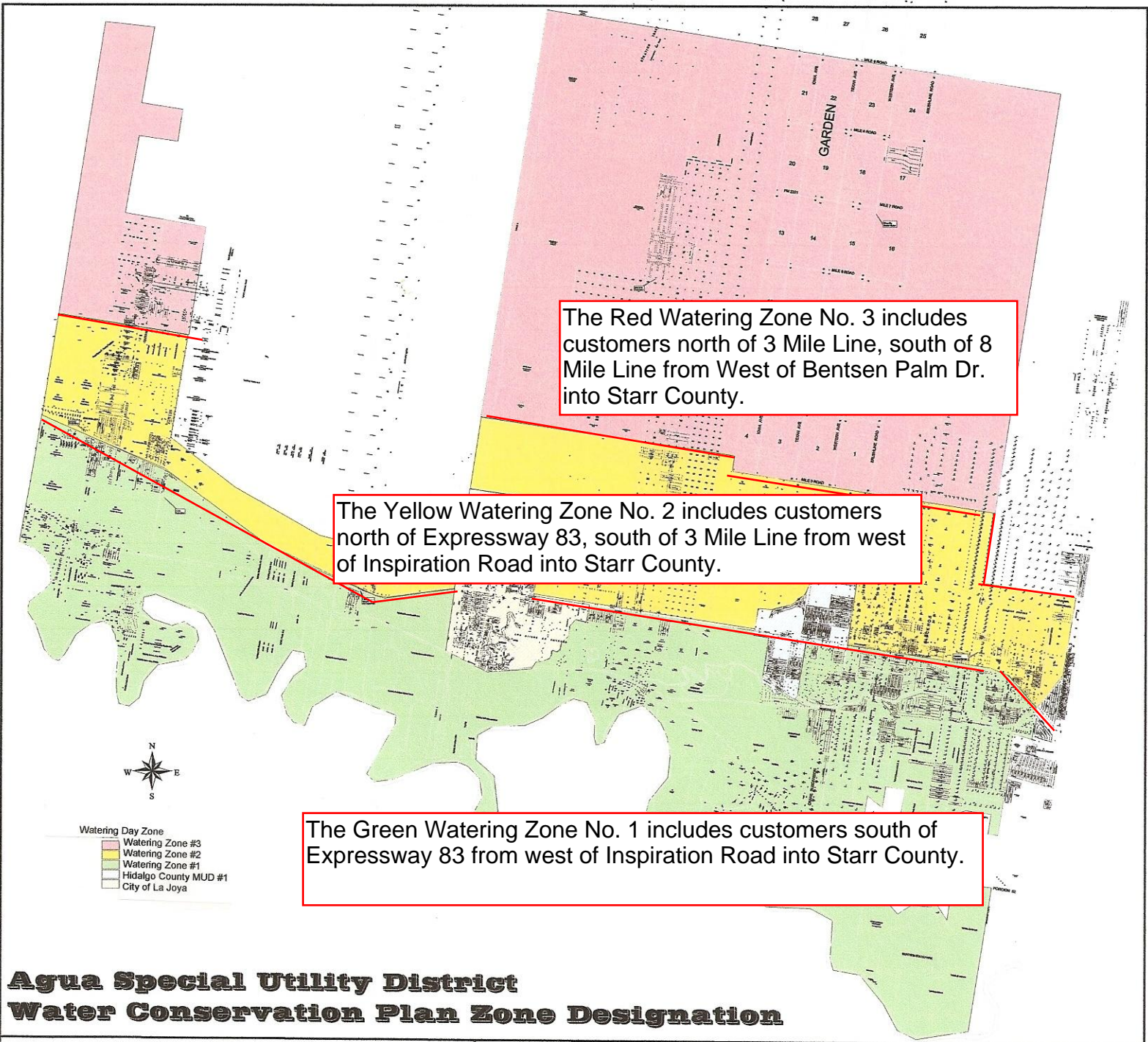
(1) For the first violation, the customer will be notified by written notice of their specific violation.

(2) For the second violation, after written notice of the violation, the customer shall be assessed civil fine of \$100.00.

(3) For the third violation, after written notice of the violation, the customer shall be assessed a civil fine of \$250.00.

(4) For the fourth and subsequent violations, after written notice of the violation, the customer shall be assessed a civil fine of \$500.00. The District shall also discontinue service at the meter. The District shall reconnect service if the following conditions are met: (1) seven (7) days have elapsed since the date of disconnection; (2) the Customer has paid the civil fine of \$500.00; and (3) the Customer has paid all reconnection fees.

c. The District does not waive its right to seek criminal penalties in addition to its civil remedies.



- Watering Day Zone
- Watering Zone #3
  - Watering Zone #2
  - Watering Zone #1
  - Hidalgo County MUD #1
  - City of La Joya



**Agua Special Utility District  
Water Conservation Plan Zone Designation**

Map of:  
Delineated Watering Zones  
Agua SUD Customers