

NEWS RELEASE

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VOLUNTARILY WATER CONSERVATION ENCOURAGED

Lancaster County Water and Sewer District (LCWSD) is asking its water customers to be aware that rainfall totals are below the average for this year. "We are asking for voluntary water conservation practices which will hopefully reduce the need for more stringent measures later", said Manager, Stephen White.

Duke Energy has notified regional Catawba River users of the need for "Stage 1" voluntary conservation practices due to the current rainfall deficit, Catawba River Stream flow and lake levels. The goal is to reduce non essential water usage by 3 - 5%. "That doesn't sound like much, but if everyone reduces usage by this amount it could reduce or delay more stringent mandatory restrictions later", said White.

How You Can Help

Conservation practices that LCWSD customers can implement to help achieve the needed water usage reduction are:

- Avoid lawn, garden, or other heavy irrigation if at all possible. If you must water, limit your irrigation to 2 days per week and limit water applied to one inch per week, including rainfall.
- Avoid other non-essential uses such as vehicle washing at home. Commercial car washes which may have a re-use system is permitted. Limiting vehicle washing during this time is preferred.

Additional information and water conservation tips are available at www.lcwasd.org.