City of Washington Issues Level 1 Drought Response Notice

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has declared a **Level 1 Drought Response** for our area. In response, the City of Washington is launching a public information campaign focused on **positive, practical steps** our community can take to conserve water.

How You Can Help Conserve Water?

Residents and businesses are encouraged to adopt simple daily habits that reduce water use, including:

- Repairing indoor and outdoor leaks
- Turning off the tap while brushing teeth, shaving, or washing
- Watering landscapes only when needed and ensuring sprinklers target lawns, not pavement
- Using water-efficient appliances and fixtures
- Running dishwashers and washing machines only when full

Outdoor Watering Rules Under Level 1

General landscape watering is allowed **between 4 PM and 10 AM** daily.

The following activities are allowed **at any time**:

- Irrigation of personal food gardens
- Irrigation of new or replanted plants, seeds, or turf for 30 days after installation
- Drip irrigation or soaker hoses
- Hand-watering with a hose with automatic shutoff or handheld container

More Information

For additional water conservation tips and statewide drought updates, visit the Georgia EPD Water Conservation website: `https://epd.georgia.gov/watershed-protection-branch/water-conservation` **(epd.georgia.gov in Bing)**

The City of Washington appreciates your partnership in protecting our community's water resources.