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Ridgway Promulgates Voluntary Water Restrictions

Ridgway, CO – At the July 12th meeting of the Ridgway Town Council, the Town Council voted to promulgate Voluntary Water Restrictions in Ridgway.

Although Ouray County and other parts of our region are not currently experiencing any levels of drought according to U.S. Drought Portal, accessible at www.drought.gov, the Town's water production records show that water use has been steadily increasing over the last several weeks.



The Town Council has continually expressed a desire to conserve water in times of need to ensure effective and safe delivery of water to the Ridgway community during all times, including in times of restricted or limited water supply and drought. The following Voluntary Water Restrictions, as described in the Town's [Water Conservation and Management Plan](#), shall remain in effect until modified or revoked by further order of the Town Council:

- No irrigating between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., or when windy, in order to minimize evaporation, and anytime on Mondays.
- Properties located on the SOUTH side of Hwy 62 and Hunter Parkway – irrigate only on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
- Properties located on the NORTH side of Hwy 62 and Hunter Parkway – irrigate only on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays.

Please note that these voluntary restrictions do not apply to drip systems and use of hand-watering containers.

To learn about ways to save water inside and outside of your home, check out [this article](#) issued by Water Education Colorado, a nonprofit charged with ensuring a sustainable water future for our state by educating and engaging Colorado citizens around this limited resource.

For more information on the Voluntary Water Restrictions, please email pneill@town.ridgway.co.us or call 970-626-5308.

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