

Water Conservation and Water Shortage Order

August 2, 2012











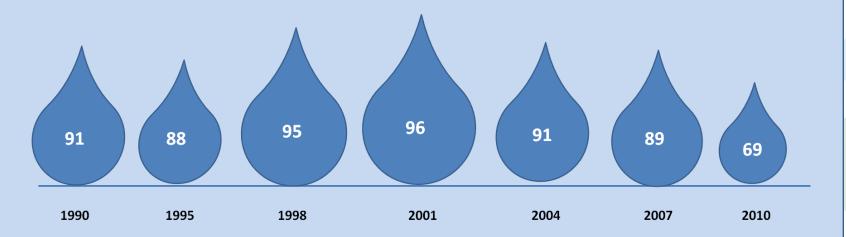
Using Water Resources Wisely

- Reduce Water Conservation
- Reuse Reclaimed water to Offset Potable Use
- Recycle Recharge Local Groundwater



Reduce Water Use - Conservation

Gainesville and Vicinity Public Water Supply – Residential Use



Average gallons used per person per day.



Reuse – Reclaimed Water



Residential & Golf Course Irrigation

- Residential Reclaimed Water Irrigation Offsets Potable Water Use
- GRU Reclaimed Water is used to Irrigate Golf Course thereby eliminating groundwater use

GRU South Energy Center at Shands

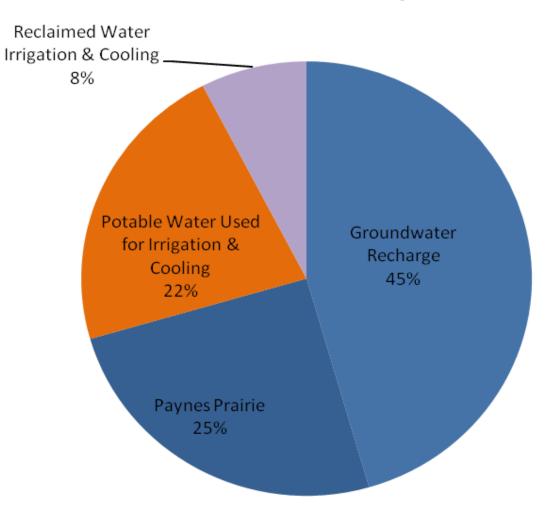
- GRU uses reclaimed water for cooling in Chilled Water Production.
- Shands uses reclaimed water for irrigation.





Recycle – Reclaimed Water Recharge

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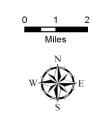
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- On-going efforts to seek new ways to conserve & help our customers conserve
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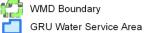
Water Restrictions and Water Shortage Orders

- Water Restrictions Permanent reduction of overall average usage
- Water Shortage Order Temporary reduction of usage





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WMD Boundary



Gainesville City Limits

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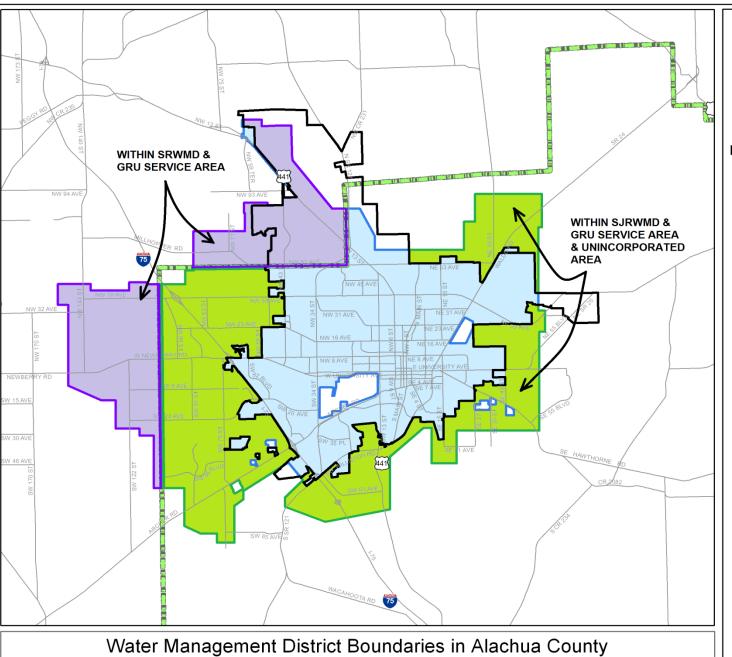
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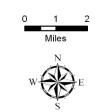
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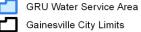




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SJRWMD

& Alachua County Watering Restrictions

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- Daylight Savings Time: Second Sunday in March until the First Sunday in November.
- •Eastern Standard Time: First Sunday in November until the Second Sunday in March.
- Your watering days are based on whether your house number is odd or even.
- •Water only when needed and not between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- •Water for no more than one hour per zone.
- •Restrictions apply to private wells and pumps, ground or surface water and water from public and private utilities.

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SRWMDWater Shortage Order

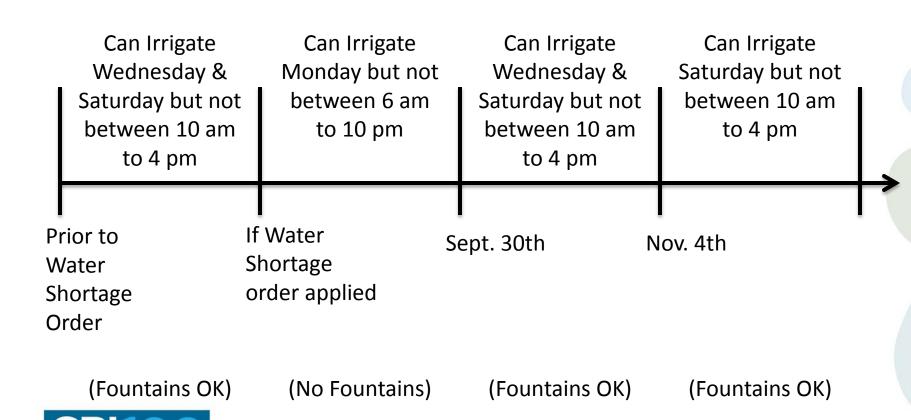
Irrigate only 1 day per week based on your address. No watering between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m.

Ending in 0 or 1	Mon
Ending in 2 or 3	Tues
Ending in 4 or 5	Wed
Ending in 6 or 7	Thur
Ending in 8 or 9	Fri

- •Order is in effect from June 13 through September 30, 2012.
- •Some exceptions apply for hand watering but never allow watering between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- •Other exceptions apply to the first 60 days after planting new lawns and landscapes.



Example Timeline for a Home Address of 9831



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If Gainesville Adopts SRWMD Water Shortage Order

- Advantages
 - Promotes Water Conservation 1 day/wk
 - Uniform Allowable Water Usage Throughout Service Area
 - Consistent Enforcement Throughout Service Area
- Disadvantages

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- Change From Existing Restrictions Complicated and Difficult to Communicate
- Change on Oct. 1 Confusing to Customers
- Difficult for Customers Without In-ground Irrigation
- Multiple Changes Confusing to Customers
- Messaging Difficulties Will Result in Less Compliance

Staff Recommendation

 City Commission authorize the General Manager, or his designee, to enter into discussions with both water management districts to develop and adopt appropriate and uniform water use restrictions, water shortage orders, and water shortage emergencies for all customers within the GRU's Water Service Area.

