

Dear Customer,

Severe drought conditions and declining water supplies have led the Southwest Florida Water Management District to issue a Modified Phase III “Extreme” Water Shortage Order. This elevated restriction level emphasizes the urgent need for residents throughout Pinellas County and surrounding areas to take immediate action to conserve water.

In addition to continued one-day-per-week watering, the following restrictions will go into effect April 3, 2026:

- No HOA or other entity shall enforce deed restrictions or other community standards requiring an increase in water use, including replacement of plant material to meet aesthetic standards or pressure washing.
- Car washing at home (non-commercial) is only allowed on your lawn watering day and you must use a hose with a shutoff nozzle.
- Ornamental fountains are limited to four hours a day. The regular hours of operation can be selected by the owner but must be posted.
- Restaurants are required to only serve water upon request.

Outdoor water use accounts for more than 50% of water consumed by households, and residents should only water on their designated day. Pinellas County Utilities customers should continue to follow the one-day-per-week watering schedule at [//Pinellas.gov/watering-schedule-and-rules](https://Pinellas.gov/watering-schedule-and-rules) for all reclaimed, potable, well, lake and pond sources.

Those who do not receive water from Pinellas County Utilities should verify their watering days and restrictions with their water supplier.

Everyone plays a role in protecting our water supply. We urge you to make water conservation a priority in your daily routines. Learn how at [//pinellas.gov/water-conservation](https://pinellas.gov/water-conservation).

Sincerely,
Pinellas County Utilities