



Water Conservation Period in Effect

With no declared drought for almost 2 years now, water levels in the Edwards Aquifer have been in great shape for quite a while. And although frequent rains have kept the good times going, the fickle weather patterns we have in Texas do not allow for complacency in how we manage our water resources.

The Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District's "Water Conservation Period" began May 1 and runs through the end of September. During the Water Conservation Period, the District asks that all permitted users of the Edwards Aquifer voluntarily reduce water use by at least 10%. View the District's press release here:

http://bseacd.org/uploads/201705_WaterConservationPeriod_final.pdf

As we've seen time and again, summers in Texas can often intensify into long, torturous stretches of triple digit temperatures without a single drop of rain. By proactively conserving water early on, users of the Edwards Aquifer can minimize the effects that an extended dry pattern has on area water resources. This collective effort can help maintain spring flows at Barton Springs and help stretch available water supply through the hottest months of the year.

The City of Buda receives 40% of its current water supply from the Edwards Aquifer, so good stewardship of this resource is important to our community. We ask that our water utility customers help us meet this voluntary reduction goal by practicing good water conservation policies for both indoor and outdoor water use. Simple adjustments to personal water use habits can have a big impact on reducing water consumption which in turn can lead to a savings on utility bills. The Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation District has put together a collection of helpful water saving tips here:

<http://bseacd.org/education/water-conservation/>

The City of Buda thanks our water customers for doing their part to be water smart!