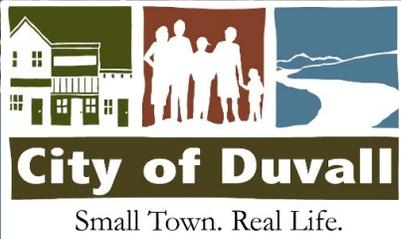


# Water Conservation UPDATE

## - “Voluntary” Stage Initiated!

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## Seattle Public Utility and others activate their Water Shortage Response Plans

On August 1st, Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) activated their [Water Shortage Response Plans](#) in coordination with Tacoma and Everett as the [region](#) is experiencing above average temperatures and below average rainfall. The City of Duvall buys water wholesale from SPU and is complying with and participating in the same activation.

SPU has moved from the “Advisory” stage to the “**Voluntary**” stage. We are working together to help manage water supplies for people and fish during this unprecedented hot and dry weather and higher than normal water use. At this time we are asking for a voluntary 10% reduction in consumption by our customers. We hope that everyone will pitch in when it comes to water conservation to make our water last.

### CURRENT WATER SUPPLY CONDITIONS AND OUTLOOK

After the hottest June in recorded history and continued warm and dry weather in July, higher-than-usual water consumption, record-low stream flows into storage reservoirs and the onset of El Niño conditions, our water supply [outlook](#) has not improved. If conditions worsen, we may move to the mandatory phase of water shortage response and require customers to further reduce the amount of water they normally use each day.

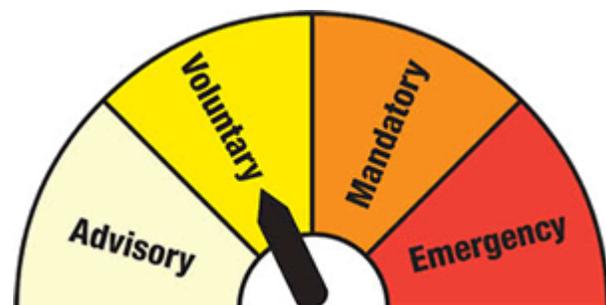
Please visit <http://savingwater.org> for details on how you can help conserve water. It’s important for us and the Environment. River levels are at all time lows and with record salmon return runs expected every drop in the river counts!

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Let your lawn go dormant and limit plant watering to twice a week.
- Check for leaks everywhere in your home and outside.
- Water plants before 8am (best) or after 7pm.
- Wash only full loads in dishwashers and clothes washing machines.
- Wash your vehicle(s) at locations that recycle the water.
- Turn off water features.
- Turn off the water while brushing teeth, washing face, and shaving.
- Compost food waste instead of using the garbage disposal.

### WHAT THE CITY IS DOING

- Limiting water use in parks and planting beds.
- Checking for and fixing leaks.
- Sharing information on our website and at City buildings.



### TIPS FOR REDUCING WATER USE IN YOUR HOME

- Reduce your showering time.
- Wash only full loads.
- Don’t pre-rinse dishes.
- If purchasing fixtures / equipment, choose water-efficient models.

### MORE RESOURCES

- [www.savingwater.org](http://www.savingwater.org)
- [www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/ws/wtrcnsv.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/ws/wtrcnsv.html)
- <https://pse.com/savingsandenergycenter/Rebates/Pages/Showerheads.aspx>