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City reduces its Safe Operating Capacity

Kerrville, Texas (May 27, 2024) – With the Guadalupe River flow in Kerr County continuing to decline and the hot summer months still ahead, the City of Kerrville has reduced its safe operating capacity from 6 million gallons per day (MGD) to 4.5 MGD. This results in a self-curtailment of 1.5 MGD.

This reduction may mean that moving into Stage 3 water restrictions is in the near future. As we head into the summer months, we are asking our



citizens to help with water conservation efforts by reducing their lawn irrigation and using water-wise decisions when planning for lawns and landscaping around homes. Irrigation accounts for up to 35 percent of the city's total drinking water usage.

Conservation measures do not affect the city's reuse water customers, which include three area golf courses, the Sports Complex, and the Tivy High School and Schreiner University athletic fields. Those facilities are all served by the city's reuse pond, which stores non-potable water.

The city continues to carefully monitor all the factors related to our water, including river flow, well levels, water system sustainability, water demand, short/long term weather forecasts, and other related factors.

The City of Kerrville Water Management information can be found on the city's website at <https://www.kerrvilletx.gov/512/Water-Restrictions>.

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