

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE

May 14, 2015

WATER CONSERVATION UPDATE

The City has declared a Stage 3 – Water Alert, effective May 18, 2015. This action is in response to new emergency regulations recently adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board. The new emergency water conservation mandates require Urban Water Suppliers to take additional steps to meet statewide water usage reduction targets. The requirement for Galt is to achieve a 32% reduction from the amount of water used by households in 2013.

Galt's Stage 3 water conservation limitations will prohibit washing hardscapes (driveways, sidewalks, streets, etc.) and restrict the use of potable water on construction sites (dust control, trench jetting and compaction). It will also restrict outdoor watering to 2 specified days per week, determined by the customer's address:

Even addresses: Wednesdays and/or Sundays

Odd addresses: Tuesdays and/or Saturdays

No watering on Mondays, Thursdays or Fridays

A full listing of the City's Stage 3 and State water conservation requirements, along with water conservation tips can be accessed on the City's website: www.ci.galt.ca.us. This information will also be mailed to all customers with their June utility bills.

The City will be hiring two water conservation specialists this summer to help with water conservation education and enforcement efforts. Questions and reports of water wasting within the Galt City Limits may be directed to the Public Works Department at publicworks@ci.galt.ca.us, by calling (209) 366-7260 or by using the GaltConnect App.

SIMMERHORN-CARILLION WATER MAIN PROJECT

The contractor is expected to begin the permanent trench paving along Simmerhorn Road and Carillion Boulevard on Monday, May 18. Expect traffic control and delays along Simmerhorn Road and Carillion Boulevard.

WATER METER INSTALLATIONS

The contractor is installing the remaining 800 new meters in the multi-family and non-meter ready locations. Work is also underway to replace existing older water meters with new automated read meters. Preliminary water usage data is being gathered from the new meters and quality assurance reviews of the data and software are being performed.