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SLV Water calls for mandatory water conservation.

The San Lorenzo Valley has experienced an extended period of unusually warm weather over the last two weeks. The National Weather Service is forecasting this trend to continue at least into next week. To ensure the viability of the valley's water supply the District has implemented Phase Two of its Drought Contingency Management Plan. Phase Two is a mandatory program which requires customer to reduce water demand by at least twenty (20%) percent. The District is requesting each customer to immediately reduce water consumption by at least 20 percent, especially outdoor water use.

Lower than normal rainfall throughout the state has required many water agencies to call for reduced water use from their customers. On June 21 the District's Board of Directors adopted a Drought Contingency Management Plan and implemented Phase One. Phase One requested all customers to voluntarily cut back water use by 15% throughout the summer.

The District recognizes that many customers are diligently conserving. However, the overall reduction in customer use has not nearly approached the requested 15%. To ensure the continued sustainability of the valley's

water supply throughout the season, the District has implemented Phase Two.

Phase Two is a mandatory program which includes the following water restrictions:

- All outdoor landscape watering is prohibited between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. The District is requesting that all customers significantly reduce their outside water use until further notice.
- The washing of areas such as sidewalks, patios, decks, driveways, exterior building surfaces and other impervious surfaces is prohibited.
- Car washing is prohibited except with a bucket and hose with shut-off nozzle.
- Waste of water due to broken or defective plumbing, sprinklers and irrigation systems is prohibited.

For additional information, including water conservation tips and information, visit the District's website: www.slvwd.com.

If you have any questions or need additional information please do not hesitate to contact the District at 338-2153.

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