Cheyenne stays in normal watering schedule

Cheyenne, WY - The City of Cheyenne Board of Public Utilities (BOPU) expects to fill water supply reservoirs this spring and does not anticipate needing to implement drought-based watering restrictions this year.

“At this time we will continue with our normal watering rules to use our water wisely. Water is a limited resource in our dry climate and using water wisely is the right thing to do,” said Dena Egenhoff, BOPU’s water conservation manager.

What are the summer watering rules?

- From May 1 to September 1 watering between 10 AM to 5 PM is prohibited.
- Customers can water lawns and grass up to three days per week.
- Wasting water, such as allowing water to run down the street is prohibited.
- Gardens and flowers can be watered any day before 10 AM or after 5 PM.
- Customers wanting to water daily to establish new sod or seed must obtain a watering permit and amend soils. For more information visits [www.cheyennecity.org/conservation](http://www.cheyennecity.org/conservation).

As a reminder washing vehicles is permitted any time, any day, as long as customers use an automatic shut-off nozzles on hoses and/or buckets. Washing hard surfaces, such as sidewalks, parking lots or driveways with a hose is prohibited except for safety, health or construction reasons.

In the spring, the BOPU studies the snow pack and reservoir levels to determine what watering schedules are needed to deliver adequate water supplies to the City. Snow pack in the watersheds near Cheyenne’s reservoirs is around 130 percent of normal for this time of year. Forecasts suggest the snow will produce enough water to fill reservoirs this spring. The BOPU will continue to evaluate water resources and may enact more stringent, drought-based restrictions if needed.

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