

## **13.2 DROUGHT/EMERGENCY PLAN:**

### **13.2.1 STAGE I - DROUGHT/EMERGENCY CONDITION - MINOR:**

**Consumption Reduction Goal % - 10**

**Public Information Action - Explain drought emergency conditions. Disseminate technical information. Explain other stages and possible actions. Request voluntary reduction.**

**Public Sector Action - Increase enforcement of hydrant-opening regulations. Increase meter-reading efficiency and meter maintenance. Intensive leak-detection and repair program.**

**User Restrictions - Voluntary installation of retrofit kits. Restriction of outside water use for landscape irrigation; washing cars, and other uses.**

**Penalties - Warning.**

### **13.2.2 STAGE II - DROUGHT/EMERGENCY CONDITION - MODERATE:**

**Consumption Reduction Goal % - 15-18**

**Public Information Action - Use media intensively to explain emergency. Explain restrictions and penalties. Explain actions in potential succeeding stages. Request voluntary reduction.**

**Public Sector Action - Reduce water usage for mainline flushing, public fountains, and park irrigations.**

**User Restrictions - Mandatory restriction on all outside uses by residential users. Except landscape irrigation. Prohibit unnecessary outside uses by any commercial users.**

**Penalties:**

- 1. Warning**
- 2. House Call**
- 3. Installation of flow restrictor, pursuant to District ordinance**
- 4. Shutoff and reconnection fee, pursuant to District ordinance**

### **13.2.3 STAGE III - DROUGHT/EMERGENCY CONDITION - SEVERE:**

**Consumption Reduction Goal % - 25-30**

**Public Information Action - Public Officials appeal for water-use reduction. Explain actions and consequences of emergency.**

**Public Sector Action - Prohibit all public water uses not required for health and safety.**

**User Restrictions - Severely restrict all outside water use. Prohibit serving water in restaurants. Prohibit use of water-cooled air conditioners without recirculation.**

**Penalties - Same as Stage II**

### **13.2.4 STAGE IV - DROUGHT/EMERGENCY CONDITION - CRITICAL:**

**Consumption Reduction Goal % - 50 or more**

**Public Information Action - Same as Stage III**

**{Public Sector Action - Reduces system pressure to minimum permissible levels. Close public water-using activities not required for health and safety.**

**User Restrictions - Prohibit all outside water use and selected commercial and industrial uses. Terminates service to selected portions of system.**

**Penalties - Same as Stage II**

### **13.3 EMERGENCY WATER SERVICE RESTRICTIONS**

**13.3.1 AUTHORITY: the District shall have the power to restrict the use of water during an emergency caused by drought, or other threatened or existing water shortages, and to prohibit the waste or use of water during such periods, for any purpose other than household uses or such other restricted uses as may be determined to be necessary by the District, and may prohibit use of water during such periods for specific uses which the District may find to be nonessential.**