

CITY OF TUCSON WATER DEPARTMENT  
 DROUGHT PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE PLAN

**TABLE 3.4**  
**STAGE 4**

**Trigger:** Additional reductions to CAP municipal deliveries, inadequate AWBA firming credits to offset the CAP delivery reductions, deteriorating local system indicators, or a failure to significantly reduce water demand in Stage 3 could trigger a Stage 4 drought response.

**Theme:** Eliminate all non-essential uses. Continuation of drought surcharge if implemented in Stage 3. In cases of severe, prolonged drought, the Mayor and Council may consider implementing a temporary moratorium on new water connections or require implementation of an "offset" program that would reduce water use in one area in order for water use to occur in another (see Glossary). Construction water use will be limited and only on approval by the Water Director.

<p><b>City of Tucson</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue all Stage 1, 2, and 3 measures and implement appropriate provisions from the City’s Emergency Water Conservation Ordinance (No. 8461) including but not limited to:</li> <li>• No operation of large-scale water-cooled systems below 2 cycles of concentration.</li> <li>• No outdoor irrigation (or implementation of further reduced watering schedule at the discretion of City Manager and Mayor and Council)</li> <li>• No washing of paved areas with any pressurized water source except in the case of meeting health and safety issues.</li> <li>• No use of any water-based play apparatus connected to a pressurized water source.</li> <li>• No restaurants and other food service establishments will serve water to their customers unless water is specifically requested by customers.</li> <li>• No operation of outdoor misting systems to cool public areas.</li> <li>• No filling of new swimming pools, fountains, spas, or other exterior water features, including no draining and refilling of existing exterior water features.</li> <li>• No washing of autos, trucks, trailers, and other types of mobile equipment except at facilities equipped with wash water recirculation systems, and for vehicles requiring frequent washing to protect public health, safety, and welfare.</li> </ul>
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<b>Residential Customers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Stage 1, 2, and 3 measures and implement appropriate provisions from the City’s Emergency Water Conservation Ordinance (No. 8461) including but not limited to:</li> <li>• No outdoor irrigation, or establish an irrigation schedule (discretion of City Manager and Mayor and Council).</li> <li>• No washing of paved areas with any pressurized water source except in the case of meeting health and safety issues.</li> <li>• No use of water-based play apparatus.</li> <li>• No filling of new swimming pools, fountains, spas, or other exterior water features. Existing pools may be topped off to maintain water level but may not be refilled if drained.</li> <li>• No washing of autos, trucks, types of mobile equipment except at facilities with wash water re-circulating systems.</li> </ul>
<b>Multi-Family Customers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Stage 1, 2, and 3 measures and include Stage 4 measures listed for residential customers.</li> </ul>
<b>Commercial Customers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Stage 1, 2, and 3 measures and include Stage 4 measures for multi-family customers.</li> <li>• No operation of large-scale water-cooled systems below 2 cycles of concentration.</li> <li>• No restaurants and other food service establishments will serve water to their customers unless specifically requested by customers.</li> <li>• No operation of outdoor misting systems to cool public areas.</li> </ul>
<b>Industrial Customers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Stage 1, 2, and 3 measures in addition to appropriate provisions under Stage 4 for Commercial Customers.</li> </ul>
<b>Reclaimed Water Users</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue Stage 1, 2, and 3 measures.</li> </ul>