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TOWN INCREASES CONSERVATION EFFORTS AFTER GOVERNOR ASKS MUNICIPALITIES TO DO MORE TO CONSERVE WATER

Officials with the Town of Mooresville are asking all water/sewer customers to stop watering their lawns and washing their cars and continue to limit their any non-essential use of water effective immediately. The announcement comes after a request on Monday from Governor Mike Easley for all municipalities to “take the lead in directing citizens to stop using water for any purpose that is not essential to public health and safety,” stated a press release from the Governor’s office.

“Several communities have as little as three month’s water supply remaining. If we do not get significant rain, some areas face the once unthinkable possibility of water rationing and potentially running out of water entirely,” Easley said. “A bit of mud on the car or patches of brown on the lawn must be a badge of honor. It means you are doing the right thing for your community and our state.”

The Governor asked all communities to take the following actions:

- Stop watering lawns and shrubbery at homes and businesses.
- Do not wash down houses, driveways or sidewalks.
- Do not wash your car.
- Restaurants should **ONLY** serve water when patrons ask.

“In response to the Governor’s request, the Town of Mooresville will step up our efforts of water conservation and encourage all of our citizens to comply with the four specific requests from the governor,” said Town Manager Jamie Justice. “We will continue in our Stage II Mandatory Water Restrictions but add these most recent requests to our list of priorities.”

Also, the governor announced another statewide ban on all public burning. The N.C. Division of Forest Resources says more than 5,940 fires have already burned more than 33,085 acres in North Carolina this year. Because the state is in the fall fire season, with especially dry conditions throughout the state, the threat of wildfires has substantially increased.

For more details about Mooresville’s mandatory water restrictions, visit the Town’s website at www.ci.mooresville.nc.us or call 704-663-3800.

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