

# Phase II WATER SHORTAGE DECLARED

February 8, 2026, through July 1, 2026

## HOA & POA Guidance

*Citrus County: Once-per-week watering still in effect based on last digit of address*

**NEW RULES:** Irrigation **ONLY** allowed before 8 AM or after 6 PM



HOAs and POAs **shall not enforce:**

- Grass replacement for aesthetic purposes
- Pressure washing for aesthetic purposes
- Community standards inconsistent with the Water Shortage Order



- Low-volume plant watering allowed any time. Hand watering, micro-irrigation, and drip systems for plants (not turf).
- Fountains & water features **8 hours max** unless required for water quality or safety
- Wasteful water use is still prohibited. Check for leaks & set timers properly!



**REMEMBER:** During winter, lawns typically need water only once every 14 days. If measurable rainfall occurs, wait 14 days before irrigating again.

**WHY THIS MATTERS** – Phase II restrictions are expected to be temporary and are based on current rainfall deficits and declining water levels. Compliance helps shorten the duration of restrictions and protects community water supplies.



Learn more: [WaterMatters.org/Restrictions](https://WaterMatters.org/Restrictions)