

## What Residents Can Do To Conserve

### Outside

- Sign up for the My Water Use Customer Portal and know your water use.
- Follow the DNR Weekly Lawn Watering Guide.
- Install a smart controller for your irrigation system.
- Tune up sprinkler heads.
- Water between 6 PM - 10 AM.
- Raise lawn mower height to 3 - 4 inches.
- Plant drought tolerant plants in low use areas such as park strips and planting beds.
- Use the irrigation calculator to see your monthly irrigation allotment and cost of irrigation use.

### Inside

- Turn off water when brushing teeth.
- Limit shower time.
- Only run full washer and dishwasher.
- Install low flow toilets and shower heads.
- Purchase energy efficient appliances.
- Become familiar with your water meter and use the My Water Use Customer Portal to catch and fix leaks quickly.
- Keep pitcher of water in fridge to limit the need to run water from the tap for cold drinking water.

## My Water Use Customer Portal

See hourly usage, set up alerts, and make monthly and yearly comparisons of use.  
[www.saratogaspringss-ut.gov/mywateruse](http://www.saratogaspringss-ut.gov/mywateruse)



Residents must have a My Water Use Customer Portal account set up to take advantage of the Water Forgiveness Program after catching a leak.

**More information on water conservation in city facilities, educational videos, and resource links can be found at:**

[www.saratogasprings-ut.gov/waterconservation](http://www.saratogasprings-ut.gov/waterconservation)



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# Water Conservation



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# Our Vision

Water is one of the most important resources we have in the State of Utah, and also one of the most limited. Utah is the second driest state in the country yet it has one of the highest water usages per capita. As a City we are making conservation efforts to be implemented in our water distribution system and maintenance of parks and other city facilities.

## Smart Irrigation Systems

Over the past 5 years the city has been converting sprinkler systems in city facilities to smart irrigation systems that water according to the watering needs of the plants. This system is accurate in its evapotranspiration, which is the process by which water is transferred from the land to the atmosphere by evaporation from the soil and other surfaces and by transpiration from plants. Due to this, the system will make adjustments to the needs of the plants in its system.

The parks Department has seen a 50% reduction in water use due to water conservation practices and the use of smart watering systems.

## Maintenance Policy

### → **Water between 6 PM – 10 AM**

The city does not water during the day. A system could be run if staff is inspecting the system, fertilizing or bringing a facility back from extensive use such as after the Splash Days celebration.

### → **Annually Monitor Systems**

We annually monitor our systems to minimize overspray and fix issues as quickly as possible

### → **Three Day Watering Schedule**

We follow a three day watering schedule. This means each portion of a facility is watered every three days.



## Water-Wise Landscaping

As a city we strive for water wise landscapes, native and drought tolerant plants, rock mulch, and xeriscaping. When it comes to watering, we aim to water to the plant's needs. This is done by adequately keeping the root zone from reaching full depletion. There are many factors such as evapotranspiration, soil types, root depth, irrigation system efficiency, and slope that are taken into account when choosing landscaping in a city facility.



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