

TOWN OF FAIRFIELD

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WATER RESTRICTIONS!

Public Notice: Water Use Restrictions in Effect

Dear Residents,

The Town of Fairfield Public Works Department has identified a critical water shortage in our wells, necessitating the declaration of a water emergency. As a result, immediate water use restrictions are now in place for all users of the Fairfield water system, regardless of residence within or outside the town limits. Presently, 4 out of our 8 wells are experiencing non-recovery or very slow recovery and are drawing air into the system. These wells have been deactivated. To facilitate the replenishment of the remaining wells, we urge residents to adhere to the following restrictions. By doing so, we can minimize the operational duration of the active wells, allowing them more time to recover. Should your water appear cloudy, rest assured that it is due to air infiltration in the system. Allow the bubbles to dissipate, and the water will regain its clarity. The public works department is diligently monitoring well levels and water quality.

Until further notice, the following water uses are strictly prohibited:

1. Commercial and residential lawn watering.
2. No handheld or hose watering.
3. Washing vehicles at residential properties.
4. Filling pools or hot tubs. The town pool may only be filled for fire suppression purposes.
5. Using pressure washers or hoses to clean exterior structures or pavement.
6. Utilizing private wells for watering while the town is under water restrictions is prohibited and will be considered a violation.

Any individual or entity found violating these water use restrictions will be subject to misdemeanor charges, fines, and discontinuation of water service until the fine is paid. For inquiries, please contact the town office at 406-467-2510.

If you are a landlord receiving this letter, please make sure to notify your renters of the water restrictions in place.

Your cooperation during this critical period is greatly appreciated.

Loren Tacke
Mayor