

WEST HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

September 6, 2023

TO: Utility Districts; the Cities of Houston and Katy, Texas; Non-District/Non-

City Well Owners within the West Harris County Regional Water

Authority ("GRP Participants")

RE: Notice of Stage 2 Drought Conditions

The West Harris County Regional Water Authority (Authority) has activated Stage 2 of its Drought Contingency Plan effective September 6, 2023. Drought conditions in our region continue and have worsened. Groundwater usage within the Authority has risen dramatically. The Authority has determined that implementing Stage 2 is necessary to facilitate compliance with the Harris Galveston Subsidence District requirements.

Under Stage 2:

- All water users are asked to voluntarily reduce their water usage.
- All GRP Participants (including municipalities and districts on groundwater or surface water) are asked to implement one or more drought response measures in their respective Drought Contingency Plan.

The Authority's operator will initiate weekly contact with water users having water supply commitments to discuss water supply and/or demand conditions. Water use will continue to be monitored. Another notice will be issued by the Authority if the drought stage changes.

Thank you for your cooperation. Drought conditions impact all of us. Please stay informed, use common sense, and avoid wasting water.

- A copy of the Authority's **Drought Contingency Plan** is posted on the Authority's website: www.whcrwa.com.
- Follow WHCRWA on social media for our weekly drought monitor reports.
- Visit <u>www.whcrwa.com/drought</u> for up-to-date drought resources.
- Visit https://whcrwa.net/20tips for 20 Tips on Conserving Water and Energy....

