

**CITY OF ARCHER CITY
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**ARCHER CITY IS NOW UNDER A STAGE 5 DROUGHT CATASTROPHE
EFFECTIVE MAY 19, 2014**

Stage 5 Drought Catastrophe:

The City is now under a Stage 5 Drought Catastrophe, due to the combined levels of Lake Kickapoo and Lake Arrowhead being at or below 25%. During Stage 5 all restrictions from Stage 4 remain in effect in addition to new restrictions. For questions please contact City Hall at 574-4570. Additional information, including the complete Drought Contingency Plan, may be found on the City website at www.archercity.org.

Enforcement: This drought disaster will be enforced. Any person, firm, corporation or other entity found in violation shall be punished by a fine of \$100 for the first offense; not more than \$500 for each additional offense. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense.

The following basic Stage 5 mandatory restrictions are included, but not limited to:

- **Irrigation prohibited.** It shall be unlawful to utilize any type of irrigation using water produced from the City water system, on any day at any time. This restriction includes all forms of irrigation, including spray, bubbler, drip, hand-watering, etc. This shall include the possible removal of all irrigation meters from residences and businesses. Testing of irrigation systems permitted only upon approval by the City Manager.
- Water used for irrigation from private wells, private ponds, grey water, etc. will be exempt from drought-related restrictions, but must comply with all other city, state and federal regulations.
- No filling, refilling or adding potable water from the City water system to swimming pools or wading pools.
- No operation of any outside water feature including but not limited to; fountains, waterfalls, slides, etc.
- The watering of home foundations is restricted to once a week, on the day the property was authorized to irrigate in accordance with the **City Water Rationing Map**, which is available at City Hall or on the City website at www.archercity.org.
Foundations may only be watered between the hours of 8 pm and 12 midnight.
Foundations may only be watered with soaker hoses.
- It shall be unlawful to wash sidewalks, driveways, concrete slabs, any structure or any part of a structure.
- No washing vehicles unless at a commercial car wash.
- The car wash will be required to close on Sundays and Mondays.
- Fundraising car washes are prohibited.

Stage 5 Water Rate Surcharges for Residential Water Meters:

- \$6.00 per 1000 gallons for water usage between 8,000 and 15,000 gallons
- \$12.00 per 1000 gallons for water usage between 15,000 and 30,000 gallons
- \$24.00 per 1000 gallons for water usage over 30,000 gallons

