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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

WATER EMERGENCY

NEW WATER RESTRICTIONS

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Lack of compliance, and continuing drought conditions is forcing the Township to put new water restrictions in place **immediately** for the **entire Township** both east and west service districts. These restrictions apply to everyone whether you are using your own well or Township provided water.

NEW RESTRICTIONS

1. Watering shall be defined as the sprinkling, watering or irrigation of shrubbery, trees, lawns, grass, ground covers, plants, vines, gardens, vegetables, flowers, or any vegetation.
2. **Properties with odd numbered street addresses may water only on odd calendar dates** (such as August 13th) except for the 31st of a month on which watering is prohibited.
3. **Properties with even numbered street addresses may water only on even calendar dates** (such as August 14th).
4. Watering is **not** permitted between the hours of **10 am and 5 pm**.
5. Watering of any single area shall not exceed 30 minutes in a day.
6. **These restrictions shall apply to all residential and commercial properties served by Manchester Township** except for public parks, public recreation areas; and nurseries. Hanging plants are exempt. Any newly seeded or sodded lawn areas for up to thirty days after initial seeding or sodding are also exempt provided there is a small sign

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visible from the street in the front yard indicating “new seed” or “new sod” and the date of installation.

7. Violators of these restrictions are subject to fines.

Enforcement.

These regulations will be enforced by any authorized employee of the Department of Public Works, the Code Enforcement Officer, any member of the police Department who shall observe any person using or withdrawing water in violation of these restrictions.

Violations and Penalties.

Anyone found guilty of violating these restrictions shall be fined for a first offense not more than \$500; for a second or subsequent offense, not more than \$1,000 and/or 30 days community services.

Fines will be issued immediately without any additional warning.