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**FROM THE DESK OF MAYOR PALMER**

**Manchester Township Water Utility Eastern Service Area Customers  
Mandatory Lawn and Landscape Watering Restrictions  
Effective September 11, 2017**

The township's existing water tower on Route 37 near town hall requires repainting due to the severe deterioration of the current coating (clearly visible as rust on the tower). This work is scheduled to begin in September of this year and will require the entire water tank to be drained so that the inside and outside of the tank can be painted. Thus, reducing water use during this project is essential to the township maintaining an uninterrupted supply of water, particularly in emergencies, such as fires. The following mandatory lawn and landscape watering restrictions are effective in our Eastern Service Area beginning September 11, 2017 until further notice. The Eastern Service Area generally includes the portion of the Township lying along Route 37 and those portions lying to the east of Route 37 and the Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station/Joint Base McGuire Dix Lakehurst.

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. **No outside watering shall be permitted during this restriction time.**
3. **These restrictions shall apply to all residential and commercial properties served by Manchester Township that are located in the Water Utility's Eastern Service Area** 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 visible from the street in the front yard indicating "new seed" or "new sod" and the date of installation.
4. These restrictions shall not apply to residents and commercial properties which are served by other water utility companies or which obtain their potable water from their own private well.
5. These restrictions shall not apply to customers that obtain water for lawn and landscape watering from their own private well provided they place a small sign visible from the street in their front yard indicating "Private Well".
6. Violators of these restrictions are subject to fines.

In addition, please adhere to the following additional water conservation practices:

- Use self-closing nozzles on all hoses
- Use a broom to sweep your sidewalk or patio rather than a hose
- Run washing machines and dishwashers only when full
- Turn off faucets when not in use, such as while brushing your teeth or washing dishes
- Use soaker hoses or drip irrigation to water trees, gardens and flower beds

Thank you for your anticipated compliance with these water conservation measures.