



# *City of Barre, Vermont*

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## **VOLUNTARY WATER CONSERVATION NOTICE**

Due to the extended period of very dry weather over the summer, and the near term forecast for limited precipitation, the water level and stored reserve in the City’s Dix Reservoir has dropped significantly. As a precautionary measure, **all customers of the Barre City Water System, including those in Barre Town, are urged to reduce water use as much as possible until further notice.** It is anticipated this Conservation Notice will be in effect for the next 30 days unless otherwise modified.

In simple terms, we’re asking Barre city and Barre town residents who are serviced by the Barre City water system to avoid unnecessary water use. This would include things like refraining from watering lawns, washing clothing only with full loads, lengthening the time between vehicle washes, shortening shower times and avoid allowing water to run unnecessarily.

We are issuing this voluntary water conservation notice in the interest of being proactive and in order to prolong or avoid the issuance of a *mandatory* conservation notice. While our current situation is not critical, it has the potential to become much more serious without precipitation and / or conservation.

Going forward, we will issue weekly updates advising Barre water customers of conditions and developments. Thank you in advance for your anticipated assistance.

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