Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District

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USER DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN (UDCP)

Name of Place where groundwater will be used: _____

Name of Person Responsible to uphold permit: _____

Responsible Person's Company Name: _____

INTRODUCTION

This UDCP will enable you to manage your water system and water resources in a conscientious, fair, and appropriate manner during District declared drought conditions. It is not designed to punish, stigmatize, or criticize anyone about their usage of water. Its sole intent is to maintain an adequate supply of groundwater during the various stages of drought conditions or other water supply emergencies, which may occur from time to time.

SECTION 1 - Declaration of Policy, Purpose, and Intent

As a permit holder with the District, I believe that significant reductions in water usage can be achieved through drought triggered water use curtailments and other voluntary efforts. I understand that implementation of voluntary water conservation measures and conscientious water use practices are encouraged at all times. However, additional water use curtailments are required in case of District-declared drought stages, periods of abnormally high usage, system contamination, or extended reduction in ability to supply water due to equipment failure.

Should drought conditions reach more severe stages, I have planned and am prepared to further curtail my usage.

As a permit holder with the District, it is our continuing effort to maintain an adequate supply of high quality water as detailed in this UDCP. In order to maintain supply, storage, pressure, or to comply with regulatory requirements, temporary restrictions may be instituted to limit nonessential water usage. This UDCP satisfies and complies with HTGCD Rules.

As the permit holder with the District, being the responsible official, I agree to comply with all applicable District Rules, the Drought Cutback Chart, the Water Conservation Plan, and the measures of the enclosed User Drought Contingency Plan, and to officially adopt the enclosed plan through the appropriate vehicle (e.g., ordinance, TCEQ tariff amendment, policy amendment).

SECTION 2 - Drought Notice

The District will notify permittees of the implementation or termination of each drought stage on the District website. Permittees must then inform all employees/tenants/end users prior to implementation or termination of each stage.

SECTION 3 - Drought Stage Triggers

Upon District notification of Drought Stage Declaration, as the permit holder, I will activate the respective response measures of this User Drought Contingency Plan, our Water Conservation Plan, and curtail our production according to our Drought Cutback Chart. I understand that the District drought triggers can be reviewed on the District website www.haysgroundwater.com under Drought Management.

SECTION 4 - Alternate Water Sources

If applicable, identify any alternate water sources or any other contingency to be utilized or implemented directly by the utility to manage limited water supplies in the event of water supply contamination or system outage. The alternate supply or other contingency shall be evidenced by documentation (contracts, affidavits, etc.) that demonstrates the availability when needed.

The alternate water source/contingency) is: _____

SECTION 5 - Drought Stages and Production Cutback

As the permit holder, I shall perform and adhere to the actions specified within this UDCP, within the Water Conservation Plan, and those curtailments listed on my Drought Cutback Chart (image below is a generic sample only) during District declared drought stages.

District Drought Stages:

10% reduction
20% reduction
30% reduction
40% reduction

Jacob's Well Groundwater Management Zone Drought Stages:

10% reduction
20% reduction
30% reduction

Sample Drought Cutback Chart

Permittee "Company X"								
			5	Acre Feet		**Drought Contingency Plan**		
20XX Permit						**Production Cutback Chart**		
			1,629,255	Gallons				
				Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	
	Actual Use		**Baseline**	Conservati	Alarm	Critical	**Emergency**	Gallons
	Gallons		**Gallons**	10%	20%	30%	40%	Over
January		6%	97,755	87,980	78,204	68,429	58,653	
February		7%	114,048	102,643	91,238	79,833	68,429	
March		7%	114,048	102,643	91,238	79,833	68,429	
April		7%	114,048	102,643	91,238	79,833	68,429	
May		8%	130,340	117,306	104,272	91,238	78,204	
June		10%	162,926	146,633	130,340	114,048	97,755	
July		12%	195,511	175,960	156,408	136,857	117,306	
August		12%	195,511	175,960	156,408	136,857	117,306	
September		10%	162,926	146,633	130,340	114,048	97,755	
October		8%	130,340	117,306	104,272	91,238	78,204	
November		7%	114,048	102,643	91,238	79,833	68,429	
December		6%	97,755	87,980	78,204	68,429	58,653	
Totals	0		1,629,255	1,466,330	1,303,404	1,140,479	977,553	0

Sample

SECTION 6 - Conservation Recommendations

- Use rainwater for outdoor irrigation - plants greatly prefer rainwater; Convert to using rainwater for potable use - check for subsidies
- Use native or adapted plants that require little or no supplemental water after establishment
- Repair all leaks and make sure your local water suppliers are repairing leaks in their systems (unrepaired leaks are waste)
- Remove automatic irrigation systems. Replace sprinklers with drip. Check and repair irrigation systems regularly to prevent leaks
- Limit irrigation to between 9pm and 8am once per week and use a timer on automatic systems
- Avoid irrigating on windy days or during Winter
- Use mulch to conserve soil moisture
- Limit washing of vehicles or use a commercial car wash that recycles water
- Do not wash driveways, sidewalks, or streets
- Cut lawn on highest setting and leave lawn clippings on lawn instead of bagging
- Reduce shower times or draw less water for baths, and turn off faucets and cover pools when not in use
- Only run dishwasher and washing machines with full loads

☐ I understand and agree that my typed name is considered my official signature.

Signature

Date

Save the Completed Application and attach in an Email to GM@haysgroundwater.com