

Buffalo's Average Water Consumption is on the Rise!

Earlier this week, the Buffalo community surpassed the summer daily average of water consumption by using 3,035,000 gallons in one day.



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The community of Buffalo's average water consumption, September through April is 1,400,000 gallons per day.

During the summer months May to September the average jumps to 2,700,000 gallons per day.

The last two summers have been very dry, with drought conditions and this summer appears to be headed in a similar direction.

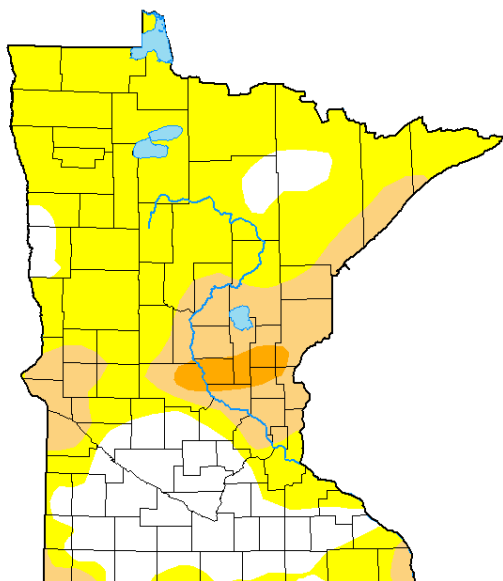
We have received a notice from the **Department of Natural Resources** to closely monitor our water resources.

Please be mindful when watering

- Follow the City's even/odd lawn watering ordinance, no watering allowed 7am to 7pm.
- Do not water excessively, established lawns only need 1" to 1 1/2" of water per week.
- Use mulch around trees and garden landscapes.
- Utilize drip irrigation around trees, shrubs, and other landscaped areas.
- Hand water when possible, so you know how much water is going to a garden area.

Most of Minnesota in Drought Watch Phase

U.S. Drought Monitor Minnesota



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	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)					
	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	22.76	77.24	18.85	2.14	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-06-2023	27.92	72.08	12.40	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 03-14-2023	58.59	41.41	15.64	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 01-03-2023	29.19	70.81	44.90	15.91	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2022	45.67	54.33	22.48	4.37	0.00	0.00
One Year Ago 06-14-2022	98.27	1.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:
 None (White) D2 Severe Drought (Orange)
 D0 Abnormally Dry (Yellow) D3 Extreme Drought (Red)
 D1 Moderate Drought (Light Orange) D4 Exceptional Drought (Dark Red)

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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Together we will protect and conserve our precious water resource!