

## AQUILLA WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT

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Subject: Stage 1 Drought Watch

Greetings:

We have been notified by the Brazos River Authority (BRA) that Lake Aquilla, being a part of the Brazos River Basin, has been placed on their Stage 1 Drought Watch. According to the Authority this is "to raise awareness of the developing drought situation and to achieve a voluntary five percent (5%) reduction of the water use that would have occurred in the absence of any drought contingency measures." A copy of the BRA letter is enclosed.

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Aquilla Water Supply District's Drought Contingency Plan (DCP) mirrors in part BRA's DCP and therefore, the District is implementing a Stage 1 Drought Watch condition for all customers. We ask that you take action consistent with Stage 1 of BRA and Aquilla's DCP to achieve a voluntary five percent (5%) reduction in water use.

The lake level is at 535.48 feet, which is a little more than two feet below the normal elevation of 537.5 feet above mean sea level. Should the lake level fall below 530.5, a Stage 2 Drought Warning would be issued by the BRA which calls for a mandatory ten percent (10%) reduction in use by all customers. A Stage 3 Drought Emergency would be issued if the lake level recedes to 526.8 feet and an additional reduction in use will be mandated.

We hope that rain will replenish the lake level soon, but everyone should be prepared in case this drought continues into the spring and summer months. We will keep you advised if the situation changes.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me.

Sincerely

Brad Daniels
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