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## **ARWA Encourages Seasonal Chesdin Water Wise Conservation Measures Starting Memorial Day**

As we do each year, ARWA is issuing a reminder for *Seasonal Chesdin Water Wise Conservation Measures*. ARWA encourages its customers to embrace *voluntary* water conservation measures to promote the sustainability of the Lake Chesdin Reservoir and its aquatic attributes.

Under the *Seasonal Chesdin Water Wise Conservation Measures*, customers in each member jurisdiction are encouraged to reduce and conserve water by following these Water Wise measures:

- Limit filling of decorative fountains and swimming pools to only when necessary
- Limit washing of paved areas to two days per week unless for health or safety concerns
- Limit lawn and plant irrigation to three (3) days per week
- Irrigate with hand-held bucket, hand-held hose, soaker hose, and drip irrigation systems so that irrigation is targeted where needed.
- Wash vehicles using a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff device.
- Run dishwasher and washing machine when fully loaded.

All businesses are encouraged to limit their water consumption wherever possible under the *Seasonal Chesdin Water Wise Conservation Measures*. Water conservation by any other means is highly encouraged, and we thank you for your efforts.

ARWA is the owner and manager of the Lake Chesdin Reservoir (a 3,100-acre public water supply reservoir located on the Appomattox River between Chesterfield County and Dinwiddie County) that provides drinking water on a wholesale basis to five member jurisdictions: the cities of Colonial Heights and Petersburg, and the Counties of Chesterfield, Dinwiddie, and Prince George.

ARWA is committed to the effective management of the Lake Chesdin Reservoir through the preservation and enhancement of a reliable source of high-quality treated water to meet the needs of its members, and the protection of the environmental health of the Lake Chesdin Reservoir. The *Seasonal Chesdin Water Wise Conservation Measures* clearly support these objectives.

ARWA is mindful that a successful water conservation campaign is the best way to avoid or

delay the implementation of mandatory water use restrictions in the future. Meeting long-term human and environmental water needs can be accomplished most effectively by all ARWA water users working together, particularly during the warmer months of the year when rainfall may be scarce.

ARWA customers who would like more information or have any questions about the *Seasonal Chesdin Water Wise Conservation Measures* are encouraged to visit the ARWA website at [www.arwava.org](http://www.arwava.org) or contact their local water service provider directly.

Thank you in advance for implementing seasonal conservation measures and assisting us with managing our precious resource.