



# TORRES SHIRE COUNCIL

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## **MEDIA STATEMENT - WATER RESTRICTIONS – LEVEL 2**

Torres Shire Council Mayor, Cr. Yen Loban, said today, “Currently the Loggy Creek dam is at a level of 80.764%. 62.50% of that level may be used. Council is required to retain the final 18.264% to avoid challenges associated with turbidity and manganese. Accordingly, as of today’s date (31/10/2022), the Water Restriction Level is Level. 2”. Mayor Loban continued, “So that we are able to maintain our water security and water supply, we call on the community to follow Level 2 water restrictions. I want you to think about this fact, every time you leave the hose running and use water from the hose to wash your boats outside permitted hours, you are taking someone else’s drinking water and water that may be needed for the dialysis unit at the hospital”.

The Level 2 water restrictions are as follows:

- Sprinklers, micro sprays and drip systems may be used only between the hours of 6am-8am and 6pm-8pm.
- Odd-numbered properties (i.e., street number ending with 1, 3, 5, 7 or 9 etc.) are permitted to use micro sprays, drip systems or sprinklers during the specified hours on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays only.
- Even-numbered properties (number ending with 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8 etc.) may use micro sprays, drip systems and sprinklers on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays only.
- No sprinkler or hose use is permitted on Mondays – a total ban of watering on this day.
- Hand-held hoses with a trigger nozzle may be used any time on permitted days.

Watering cans and buckets can be used at any time on permitted days.

- No hosing of paved areas unless it is as a result of an accident, fire, health hazard or other emergency otherwise written permission from Council must be obtained.
- Water must not be used to clean windows except by means of a bucket or watering can filled directly from the tap.
- Hoses must not be used for washing cars and other vehicles unless on permitted days.

Mayor Loban concluded, “Council is very serious about protecting this precious resource in the interest of the whole community and will strictly enforce these restrictions”.

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