

## WATER USAGE CHANGES FOR 2026

In May 2025, Resolution 2025-4.3 Lawn Water Restrictions was passed by the City Council with the following information:

**Daily Watering Restrictions.** Lawn and landscaping watering by users of the Bennet Municipal Water and Sewer shall follow same restriction dates as Rural Water District #1, or until otherwise changed by the City Council.

- a. Users having odd numbered street addresses shall be allowed to water their lawns and/or landscaping on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday of each week.
- b. Users having even numbered street addresses shall be allowed to water their lawns and/or landscaping on Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday, of each week.
- c. No watering or irrigation shall be allowed on Monday of each week.

Restrictions will start on a date as set by LRWD (previously April 1).

In November 2025, the City Council passed **Ordinance 2025-8.1 Amending Water Usage Rates** that will be effective January 1, 2026.

The Ordinance in part states:

- (1) Residential rate. (1) The residential rate shall be applicable when the building, premises or place receiving water service is located within the corporate limits of the city and is used for dwelling or family living purposes. (2) The residential water rate shall be a minimum of \$28.50 per calendar month plus,
- (2) 1x Base Rate of \$6.60 per thousand gallons 0 to 20,000 gallons, plus 2x Base Rate per thousand gallons 21,000 to 30,000 gallons, plus 4x Base Rate per thousand gallons 31,000 to 40,000 gallons, plus 8x Base Rate per thousand gallons 41,000 to 50,000 gallons,
- (3) Max Rate of \$250.00 per thousand gallons in excess of 51,000 gallons

On the reverse side is a worksheet with the cost of water usage starting January 1, 2026.