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City Supports Water Conservation Efforts

The City of El Paso's, General Services Department is working closely with the El Paso Water Utilities to focus on voluntary conservation efforts in certain parks that are supported by water from the Rio Grande. To be responsive to them and the community, the department has voluntarily reduced watering.

The affected parks have been grouped into three categories:

Category 1 - Parks that are Sports Fields (which are moderate to high use) and very highly used by the surrounding community.

For example: Memorial Park, Alta Vista Baseball Field, San Jacinto Plaza, and Cleveland Square

- 70% reduction the last two weeks, 25% reduction next week, 25% reduction this week

Category 2 - Parks highly used and provide the only significant green space in their area. For example: Newman, Madeline, and Mundy Parks

- 100% reduction (no watering) two weeks ago, 75% reduction last week, 50% reduction this week

Category 3 - Parks not as highly used and in some cases have little to no Greenspace. For example- Sunset Heights and Edgemere Median

- 100% reduction (no watering) two weeks ago, 90% last week, 65% this week

Additionally, system-wide, all park watering is being reduced by 20%. General Services will do this the remainder of the summer, or until the area receives substantial rain.



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