

RULE 164 - STAGE 3 WATER CONSERVATION: CONSERVATION RATES

- A. Trigger.
1. Stage 2 Deemed Unsuccessful: Stage 3 shall take effect for all California-American Water Company Water Distribution Systems if Stage 2 has been implemented pursuant to Rule 163-A-1 or Rule 163-A-3 and has failed to sunset after a period of six (6) months.
 2. Physical Shortage Trigger: Stage 3 shall take effect for all California-American Water Company Water Distribution Systems on June 1, or such earlier date as may be set by the Board following the District's May Board meeting, if Total Storage Available in Table XV-4 is below 95% of Total Storage Required.
 3. Regulatory Trigger – Production Targets: Stage 3 shall take effect for all California-American Water Company Water Distribution Systems when the most recent 12 month California American Water production from the MPWRS is greater than 105 percent of the then-current annual production target as determined in Table XV-1 and Stage 2 has not been implemented.
 4. Regulatory Trigger – Regulatory Order: Stage 3 shall take effect for all California-American Water Company Water Distribution Systems when directed by a governmental or regulatory agency to implement Stage 3.
 5. Emergency Trigger: Stage 3 shall take effect for all California-American Water Company Water Distribution Systems when the Board finds that a Water Supply Emergency exists and upon adoption of a Resolution of the Board of Directors, or a declaration of a Water Supply Emergency by California American Water, or by a State or County entity due to a catastrophic event. In that Resolution or declaration, there shall be a finding of an immediate need to reduce production through the imposition of Stage 3 Conservation Rates.
- B. Stages 1 and 2 shall remain in effect.
- C. If Stage 2 has not already been implemented, Stage 2 shall be triggered simultaneously with Stage 3.
- D. Thirty days prior to implementation of Stage 3, California American Water shall file to implement Level 1 Conservation Rates within its Main California-American Water Company Water Distribution System, the Bishop Water Distribution System, Hidden Hills System, and Ryan Ranch Water Distribution System and shall provide notification to its customers that such rates shall be implemented after thirty (30) days. Prior to an increase to Level 2 Conservation Rates, California American Water shall provide notification to its customers that such rates shall be implemented after thirty (30) days.

1. Level 1 Conservation Rates comprised of a 25 percent surcharge shall be implemented on the then existing rates for a minimum of three (3) months. The surcharge shall not apply to Tier 1 Residential customers.
2. Level 2 Conservation Rates comprised of a 40 percent surcharge shall be implemented on the then existing rates (without the 25 percent Level 1 surcharge) if after the imposition of Level 1 Conservation Rates for three (3) months, the monthly production in the California American Water System exceeds the monthly production target for the previous two (2) consecutive months. The surcharge shall not apply to Tier 1 Residential customers.

E. Sunset.

1. Without further action of the Board of Directors, Stage 3, when implemented pursuant to Rule 164-A-2, shall sunset and water use restrictions shall revert to Stage 1 when remaining Total Storage Available computed consistent with Table XV-4 is greater than remaining Total Storage Required for two (2) consecutive months.
2. Without further action of the Board of Directors, Stage 3, when implemented pursuant to Rule 164-A-3, shall sunset and water use restrictions shall revert to Stage 1 when the 12 month total production has been less than or equal to its then-current annual production target for two (2) consecutive months.
3. Without further action of the Board of Directors, Stage 3, when implemented pursuant to Rule 164-A-4, shall sunset and water use restrictions shall revert to Stage 1 when the governmental or regulatory agency rescinds the request and Rules 164-A-2 and 164-A-3 do not apply.
4. Stage 3, when implemented pursuant to Rule 164-A-5, shall sunset and water use restrictions shall revert to Stage 1 when the Board finds that a Water Supply Emergency no longer exists and Rules 164-A-2 and 164-A-3 do not apply.

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