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Lawn watering ban lifted by the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion

Vaudreuil-Dorion, September 1, 2020 – The City of Vaudreuil-Dorion has made the decision to allow lawn watering to resume and, as such, has lifted the watering ban, effective today. Citizens are therefore authorized to use drinking water for lawn watering, in compliance with current regulations and while being mindful of avoiding waste.

Lawn watering without a permit is authorized on the following days and times:

Even addresses

- Manual or mechanical watering: Monday and Thursday, between 8:00 and 10:00 p.m.
- Automatic watering: Monday and Thursday, between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.

Odd addresses

- Manual or mechanical watering: Tuesday and Friday, between 8:00 and 10:00 p.m.
- Automatic watering: Tuesday and Friday, between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.

In cases where a specific lawn problem requires more frequent watering, seeding or sodding, citizens must first obtain a watering permit. This request should ideally be made in the Online Services section of the City's Web site (under the Services to Residents tab).

The lawn watering ban was issued in June following a record consumption of drinking water. Although the filtration plant has the capacity to treat the water required to meet the needs of citizens, the data collected at the filtration plant was comparable to that of a city with a population of 120,000, while Vaudreuil-Dorion has a population of just over 40,000. These figures showed that regulations were not being respected and suggested that drinking water was being wasted.

Drinking water consumption: a new interactive tool

In collaboration with the Locomotive Web agency, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion has developed a new interactive tool to observe drinking water consumption of the residences served by the filtration plant, in real time. This widget will be implemented very soon and can be consulted directly on the Web site's home page. It will allow citizens to see the significant variations that can occur during heat episodes.