## POLICY

AMWC prohibits the wasteful uses of water listed below to promote the wise & beneficial use and long-term conservation of water by its shareholders. Urban water purveyors are required to make these prohibitions permanent under the Governor's Executive Order No. B-17-16 and subsequent regulations adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board.

- A. *Plumbing leaks:* The escape of water through breaks or leaks within the water user's plumbing or distribution system for any substantial period of time within which such break or leak should reasonably have been discovered and corrected. It shall be presumed that a period of 24 hours after the water user discovers such leak or break, whichever occurs first, is a reasonable time within which to correct such leak or break.
- B. *Run-off from landscaped surfaces:* Watering of grass, lawns, ground-cover, shrubbery, open ground, crops and trees, including agricultural irrigation, in a manner or to an extent which allows substantial amounts of excess water to run off onto adjacent property, non-irrigated areas, private and public walkways, roadways, parking lots, or structures.
- C. *Outdoor Watering Hours*: Overhead watering of grass, lawns, ground-cover, shrubbery, open ground, crops, and trees, including agricultural irrigation, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Overhead watering is any method of irrigation in which water is sprayed under pressure through the air to the ground surface, including but not limited to the use of devices such as sprinklers.
- D. *Irrigation After Rain Event*: Watering of outdoor landscapes during and up to 48 hours after measurable rainfall.
- E. *Washing of hard-surfaced areas:* Washing down hard or paved surfaces, including but not limited to sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking areas, tennis courts, patios or alleys, except under the following conditions: 1) to alleviate safety or sanitary hazards, and then only by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off device; *or* 2) when a low-volume, high-pressure cleaning machine or a low-volume high-pressure water broom is used.
- F. *Washing of Vehicles:* Using a hose that dispenses potable water to wash a motor vehicle, except where the hose is fitted with a shut-off nozzle or device attached to it that causes it to cease dispensing water immediately when not in use.
- G. *Decorative Water Features*: The use of potable water in decorative water features that do not recirculate the water.
- H. Irrigation of Median Turf: Irrigation with potable water of ornamental turf on public street medians.
- I. *New Construction Irrigation:* Irrigation with potable water outside of newly constructed homes and buildings that is not delivered by drip or micro-spray systems.

In the event any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, or political entity is found by the Board of Directors to be in violation of any prohibition under this policy, the Board of Directors may impose a special water waste surcharge against such person's account and may temporarily or permanently discontinue or restrict, with a flow regulating device, water service to the affected property.

Before taking such action, the Board of Directors shall give any such person thirty (30) days written notice and an opportunity to be heard and protest against the finding of such violation and the imposition of such measures.

The Board may determine the terms and conditions of the discontinuance or restriction of service and may, in its sole discretion, establish the amount of such surcharges as will reasonably compensate AMWC and its customers for all loss of water and other damages incurred.

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to insure that AMWC shareholders are aware of the need to use AMWC's limited water resources wisely and efficiently. This policy is intended to conform with the requirement that urban water purveyors make these prohibitions permanent under the Governor's Executive Order No. B-17-16 and subsequent regulations adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board.