



# Current Events

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE:

WATERPRO'S OFFICE WILL  
REOPEN TO CUSTOMERS ON  
JUNE 1.

In accordance with CDC  
guidelines, face masks will NOT  
be required to visit our office.

## Office closures for June:

Our office will be closed  
entirely (no telephone service)  
on the following dates and  
times:

- Friday, June 25, closed all day for a company meeting

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## Utah's Drought: What It Might Mean for You

Local news outlets are talking about the drought emergency declared by Governor Spencer Cox and what it means for the people of Utah. Some localities, such as Washington County in southern Utah, have already announced restrictions on watering times to conserve water.

### What is happening in Draper?

WaterPro's goal is to avoid imposing restrictions on water use, but it's still early in the season and we don't know what lies ahead for our region. We can't control the weather, and continued blue skies and hot weather will put more strain on our already stressed water supply.

### Make conservation a priority

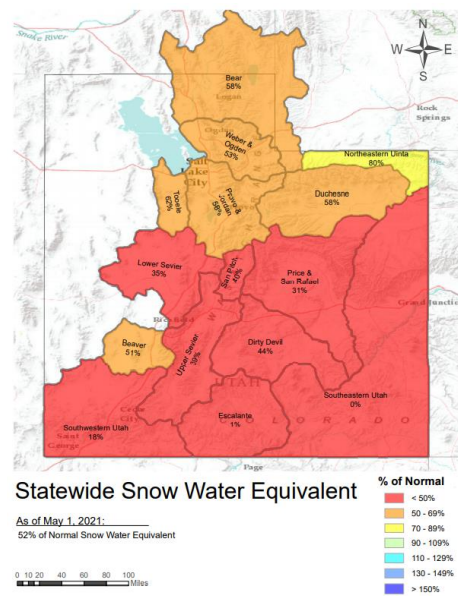
One thing that we all can do, however, is to conserve water whenever possible.

- Educate yourself about water conservation. [WaterPro's website](http://WaterPro's website) is a good place to start.
- If you're planning to replace a toilet, shower head, dishwasher, clothes washer, or other water-using device, **look for the WaterSense label.**
- Now is the time to make landscape improvements to beautify and drought-proof your yard. Visit the [Conservation Garden Park](http://Conservation Garden Park) website for ideas.

- Save while you conserve! The Utah [Water Savers website](http://Water Savers website) contains valuable information about rebates for conservation measures.

### Do your part to prevent wildfires

Not only is the snowpack extremely low (see the picture below), but the soil and plants are also very dry, which could lead to a worse-than-usual fire season. Fireworks, target shooting, and campfires are the main sources of human-caused fires, so use extreme caution in any of these activities.



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**Best Water-Saving Tip: Use the [Weekly Lawn Watering Guide \(Weekly Lawn Watering Guide – Conserve Water Utah\)](#) to determine how often to run your sprinklers.**



## Re-Using Water: A Plan for the Future

With Utah in a state of emergency due to drought, and long-term forecasts predicting more severe droughts in the future, it is crucial that we make the the highest and best use of every possible source of water.

One source many people don't think of is re-using water – in other words, treating the water that goes down our sewer pipes so that it is clean and safe to use once again.

WaterPro has been exploring water re-use for over a decade. Before you panic and say "Yuck!", please be aware that our plan calls for using treated re-use water in our irrigation system, not in our culinary system (although re-use water can be treated to the point that it is completely safe to drink, and is indeed being used safely in some parts of the world, such as Australia).

Re-using treated waste water for irrigation will help us conserve our precious mountain water for drinking, as well as actually improving the quality of water in our irrigation system.

We will keep you informed as our planning continues for this long-term project.

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### What is WaterPro doing?

WaterPro, like public water suppliers throughout the state, is constantly planning and monitoring to make sure we can provide an essential supply of water to our customers. Some of the actions we take include:

- **Master planning.** We project our infrastructure and water needs at least 25 years into the future so that we can continue to serve our community as the population grows.

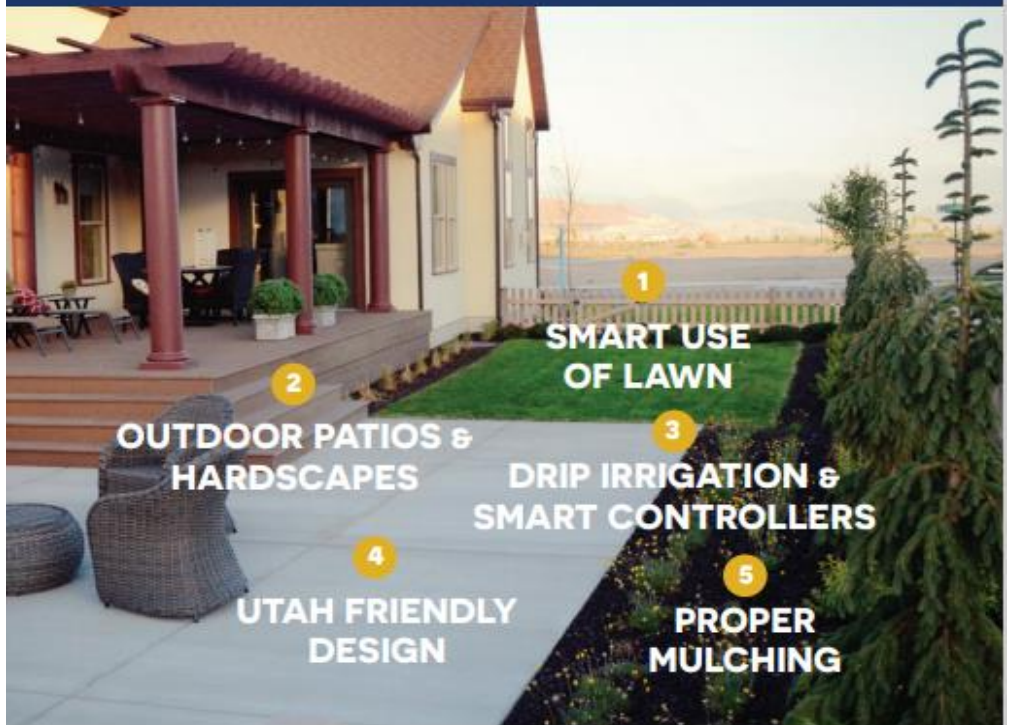
- **Drought planning.** We know that recurring droughts are a fact of life in our arid climate, and we continually plan how to deal with various levels of drought.
- **Diversified water supplies.** We continually assess and seek out new sources of water (see sidebar article).

Utah is in a serious drought, and we cannot predict what will happen during the summer. But we know that together, we can

## How can you prepare for Utah's droughts?

Making simple changes to your landscape can help reduce demand on water supplies when temperatures are highest.

**FIND REBATES AT [UTAHWATERSAVERS.COM](http://UTAHWATERSAVERS.COM)**



Learn how to make your landscape drought resilient at **[LOCALSCAPES.COM](http://LOCALSCAPES.COM)**