

BOLINAS COMMUNITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

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Process/Deadline to Apply for An Exception from the Mandatory Water Ration Amount of 125 Gallons Per Day.

At a special meeting on June 2, 2021, the BCPUD Board of Directors evaluated the worsening drought conditions and the status of the district's water supply; the Board then voted unanimously to lower the "trigger" for mandatory rationing from a town-wide consumption of 76,000 gallons per day ("GPD") (averaged over 7 days) to 66,000 GPD. At the present time, town-wide consumption is averaging about 59,000 GPD. The anticipated mandatory ration amount will be **no more than 125 GPD per property (not per person)** if and when the town-wide consumption exceeds 66,000 GPD, averaged over seven days. At a subsequent meeting on June 16, 2021, the Board unanimously approved specific criteria for customers who believe they need an exception from the 125 GPD per property mandatory ration amount. (Please see our website at www.bcpud.org for additional details.)

What are the criteria for an exception from the mandatory ration amount?

- In general, exceptions will be granted **only** for **public health and safety reasons**, such as:
 - o if **more than** five (5) people regularly rely on a single water meter for drinking water and sanitation purposes), or
 - o if additional water is needed due to a medical condition.
- Limited exceptions may be available for customers with **commercial businesses** requiring additional water to maintain the business.

In general, no more than 20 gallons per person over the ration amount will be granted to customers requesting exceptions.

If you believe your property qualifies for an exception, please contact the BCPUD immediately to schedule a water audit. The purpose of the water audit is for BCPUD staff to ensure that you have adopted all practicable water conservation measures and that any additional water granted to you will be used efficiently and without waste. The deadline to submit a written request for an exception to the BCPUD Board of Directors is Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. and the water audit must be conducted before that meeting.

The BCPUD Board will hold a special meeting via Zoom on **Thursday, July 1, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.** to consider all exception requests. The agenda for this meeting and Zoom log-in information will be posted on the district's website no later than Monday, June 28, 2021. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the exception request process, thank you!

Very truly yours,

Jennifer Blackman
General Manager