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## NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF TARAWA TERRACE

We are having some serious problems supplying enough water for the Tarawa Terrace housing area.

Two of the wells that supply Tarawa Terrace have had to be taken off line because minute (trace) amounts of several organic chemicals have been detected in the water. There are no definitive State or Federal regulations regarding a safe level of these compounds, but as a precaution, I have ordered the closure of these wells for all but emergency situations when fire protection or domestic supply would be threatened.

With the advent of warmer weather, increased water consumption is depleting the supply in the reservoir faster than the remaining wells can replenish it. Even after opening the lines to the Camp Johnson water system (which has caused the bad taste and odor many of you noticed), the supply cannot meet the demand. This critical situation will be relieved somewhat in early June with the completed construction of an auxiliary water line from Hadnot Point.

Until then, however, daily water consumption must be reduced significantly. You are the only ones who can make this happen. I solicit your cooperation and assistance in implementation of the following water use restrictions:

- 1. Reduce domestic water use.
- a. Don't let water run while washing, shaving, brushing teeth, etc.
  - b. Wash clothes only when you have a full load.
  - c. Flush toilet only for sanitation purposes.
  - d. Store cold water in refrigerator for drinking.
  - e. Take short showers.
- f. Report any drips, leaks or running toilets immediately to Base Maintenance.
  - 2. Car washing is prohibited until further notice.
- 3. Yard watering is permitted only from 0600-0900, Mondays through Thursdays. Do not water excessively or allow water to run into the street.

Suggested No-Advene-Effect Rocumented Levels

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Thank you for your understanding in this matter. ..If these measures are effective in reducing overall water usage, we should be able to open the Tarawa Terrace swimming pool as scheduled. We will keep you informed.

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