



Conservation Critical as Drought Lingers

Spring 2017

Georgia's Environmental Protection Division has declared a **Level 2 drought response** for much of metro Atlanta as drought conditions continue.

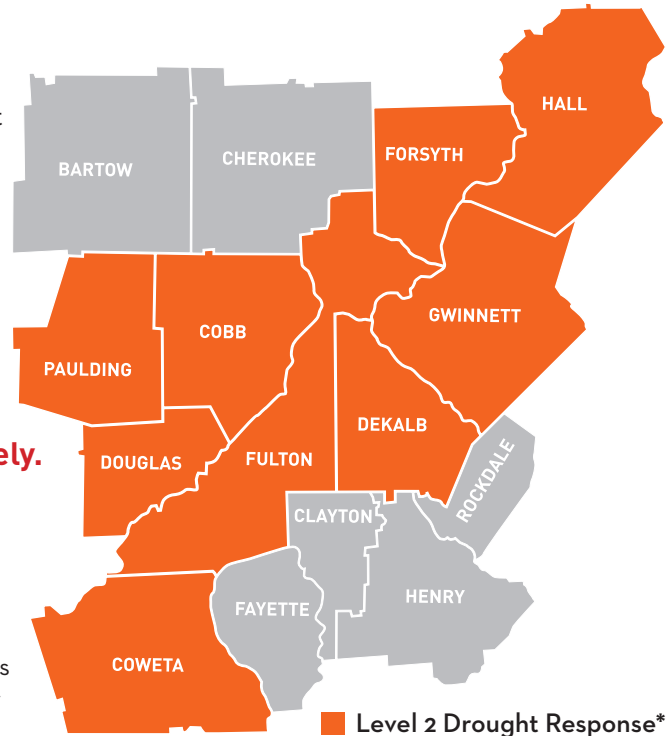
Lake Lanier did not refill over the winter as is normal. As we head into the typically drier summer months, the lake remains well below full pool.

The Lake Lanier-Chattahoochee River system serves as the main water source for much of the region's population.

We must all continue to do our part to use water wisely.

Outdoor watering restrictions for lawns, gardens and trees

- Only as needed, up to **TWICE A WEEK** (even addresses and sites with no numbered address on Wednesday or Saturday and odd addresses on Thursday or Sunday)
- Only **BEFORE 10 AM** and **AFTER 4 PM**



Level 2 Drought Response*

*Metro Water District counties subject to Level 2 Drought Response

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ODD			EVEN	ODD		EVEN

What's NOT Allowed

- Washing streets, gutters, sidewalks and driveways
- Ornamental uses, such as fountains and waterfalls
- Washing vehicles (cars, boats, etc.) at home
- Non-commercial washing or pressure washing
- Charity, or non-commercial fund-raiser, car washes



Water Conservation Tips

- Only water plants when necessary. More plants die from over-watering than from under-watering.
- Water the root zone of the plant instead of the foliage. This saves water and reduces diseases.
- Reduce the amount of lawn in your yard by planting shrubs and ground covers well-adapted to our region.
- Adjust sprinklers so only your lawn is watered and not the house, sidewalk or street.

Find more conservation tips at mydropcounts.org