

**For Immediate Release**  
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**Recent Rains Support Spartanburg Water's  
Efforts to Ensure Future Water Supplies**

Effective December 12, 2008 Spartanburg Water has reduced the amount of water being released to the Pacolet River below Lake Blalock to ensure adequate water supply is available to our customers in the future. This release was approved by the SC Department of Health and Environmental Control, to allow Spartanburg Water's reservoirs the opportunity to collect additional water during the winter months. Despite recent rains, stream flows within the Pacolet Rivers remain at historically low levels. Your support is also needed. Spartanburg Water continues to ask customers to comply with voluntary water restrictions and further limit usage. Watering lawns is one of the largest non-essential uses of water within the watershed. Customers are encouraged to observe the outdoor watering schedule below:

- Customers with street addresses, box numbers, or rural route numbers ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8 and locations without addresses should water outside **only on Thursdays and Sundays**. For example, a customer with the address 222 Main Street would water on Thursday and Sunday only.
- Customers with street addresses, box numbers, or rural route numbers ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9 should water outside **only on Wednesdays and Saturdays**. For example, a customer with the address 225 Main Street would water on Wednesday and Saturday only.

These water restrictions are voluntary at this time. We will continue to monitor the drought situation and its impact on our reservoirs. Should the drought persist and the reservoirs continue to be impacted by low river flow into the lakes, mandatory water restrictions may become necessary in the future.

For additional information on how you can help in this situation, please contact Spartanburg Water at (864) 582-6375 or online at [www.spartanburgwater.org](http://www.spartanburgwater.org).

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