

Public Notice

Drought Contingency Plan Stage 3 Initiated

The Robert Lee City Council has initiated stage 3 of the Drought contingency Plan for the City of Robert Lee. The city has deemed the condition of Oak Creek Lake levels as of 8/4/2025 (1,979.91) appropriate to take stage 3 response.

Stage 3 is SEVERE Water Storage Conditions which is triggered by the following:

- Average daily water consumption rises to 100% of the production capacity of the water treatment plant for a period of (3) consecutive days;
- Average daily water consumption will not allow water levels in ground and/or elevated storage facilities to be maintained;
- The lake level in Oak Creek Lake drops to an elevation of 1980 Feet (msl). Normal Lake level is 2000 feet (msl).

The City of Robert Lee may establish any threshold condition it deems appropriate in addition to the Drought Contingency Plan and drought response measures initiated by the City of Bronte.

Stage 3 shall become effective August 11, 2025, to November 7, 2025.

The council may reconvene anytime during this period to rescind when all the conditions listed as triggering events have ceased to exist for a period of (30) consecutive days. The City of Robert Lee will notify its retail and wholesale customers and the media of the termination of stage 3.

The goal of Stage 3 SEVERE condition drought contingency measures is to achieve a 30% reduction in daily water demand. A Mandatory outdoor water use schedule will be set as follows:

ALL OUTDOOR WATER USAGE IS PROHIBITED

- Watering lawns, gardening, landscaping, washing vehicles.
ANIMALS/LIVESTOCK MAY BE EXEMPTED.

Residents will stop the following uses of water, and any others determined unnecessary for public health or safety will be prohibited:

- Washdown of sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots and other hard-surfaced areas.
- Use of water to wash down buildings or structures for purposes other than immediate fire protection.
- Water for use in road construction or for oil rigs will be prohibited.
- Use water for dust control.
- Flushing gutters or permitting water to run or accumulate in any gutter or street.
- Recreation use of faucets, hoses and fire hydrants.
- Filling of pools.
- Watering of parks and athletic fields.

Violations of any section of the Drought Contingency Plan may cause a complaint to be filed in the Robert Lee Municipal Court. **Fine Schedule for violations is as follows:**

1st Violation- \$60.00

2nd Violation- \$150.00

3rd Violation- \$300.00

4th Violation- \$500.00

For questions or more information you may contact City Hall at 325-453-2831 during regular business hours.