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City of Manitou Springs Is Asking Its Residents and Businesses to Conserve Water Due to Runoff from Heavy Rains

MANITOU SPRINGS, CO – The City of Manitou Springs is asking its residents and visitors to conserve water from May 16 – May 18, due to its water treatment plant only being able to treat limited water due to heavy rainfall.

With the recent rainfall, the City's water source, French Creek, became high with sediment content because of the runoff from the heavy rains. Under these conditions, the City's water treatment plant and filters are limited in how much water it can treat. This results in the Mesa Storage Tank not being filled to adequate levels.

This is a common problem for most water treatment plants, but it is especially impactful for Manitou Springs, because French Creek is its main water source.

The City of Manitou Springs wants to reassure its residents that there is not a possibility of "running out of water", as we have agreements with Colorado Springs Utilities to convey our Fry-Ark project water to us, if needed.

Tips to Conserve Water:

- Turn off sprinklers
- Do not wash sidewalks, cars, etc. with water
- Avoid doing partial loads of laundry, dishwashing, etc.

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