

Update on Water **Forward** 2024 demand management strategies

Summary of Task Force Comments

Next Steps	Category	Individual Comments	Strategies
Will be evaluated for potential water savings/cost	Water Conservation Strategy	21	11
	Related to Existing WF24 Strategies	8	3
Will be considered;	Policy Matter	1	1
Will not be evaluated for potential water savings/cost	Best Management Practice	19	9
	Reporting General Comments	5	NA
	Editorial/General Comments	20	NA
Will not be evaluated for water savings/cost	Currently Being Implemented	1	1
	Likely Insubstantial Yield	2	1
	TOTAL COMMENTS RECEIVED	78	28



Will be evaluated for potential water savings/cost

Consolidated Strategy No.	Consolidated Strategy Description
1	Increase outdoor water restrictions in all stages of drought in the DCP, including possible elimination of all outdoor water use in Stage 5 of the DCP.
2	Limited hours for patio misters
3	Analyze and potentially limit the number of new pool permits and rules for refilling.
4	Expand existing reuse ordinance to require all new industrial users to connect to the reclaimed system or utilize onsite reuse.
5	Connect the Travis County Courthouse to the reclaimed system.



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6	Evaluate and consider connecting the State Capital Complex to the reclaimed system.
7	Evaluate and consider connecting the UT campus to the reclaimed system.
8	Perform an analysis and consider expanding the voluntary reclaimed water rebate.
9	Consider providing cost-sharing or additional incentives to promote onsite reuse in low-income housing.
10	Expand CII ordinances to include upgraded standards and requirements for reclaimed water.
11	Increase enforcement efforts.

Will be evaluated for potential water savings/cost as part of existing WF24 strategies

Consolidated Strategy No.	Consolidated Strategy Description
13	Increase resources for voluntary water budgeting and implement mandatory water budgeting sooner.
14	Expand water loss program.
15	Expand onsite reuse ordinances to include smaller buildings.



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12	Expand public oversight into the SER process, especially regarding new large industrial users.	Policy Matter
16	Allow splash pads to continue operation in Stage 4 of the DCP.	Best Management Practice
17	Develop an education campaign to better promote knowledge of watering days.	Best Management Practice
18	Provide follow-up information after MyATXWater meters are installed.	Best Management Practice
19	Increase public outreach and education, possibly partnering with community organizations, to residential irrigation customers, nurseries, landscapers, and general AW customers, among others. Consider increasing budget for these programs as needed.	Best Management Practice

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20	Develop an public-facing SOP for incentive programs.	Best Management Practice
21	Create a workforce development program to train landscapers on native plants and provide resources to those professionals, such as drawings, certification, and plant information.	Best Management Practice
22	Expand outreach to existing developments near the reclaimed system to promote connection.	Best Management Practice
23	Exempt essential household use from drought surcharge	Best Management Practice



Will be considered; Will not be evaluated for potential water savings/cost

Consolidated Strategy No.	Consolidated Strategy Description
24	Reporting Comments
25	Editorial Comments
26	General Comments



Will not be evaluated for water savings/cost

Consolidated Strategy No.	Consolidated Strategy Description	Category & Next Steps
27	Color coded feedback on water usage in My ATX Water portal	Currently being implemented.
28	Develop a fog harp system for Austin.	Likely insubstantial yield - will not be evaluated further for water savings/yield



