

10 Easy Ways to Conserve Water

1. **Anything involving a hose**, including outdoor flood related clean-up, **can wait** until full water supply is online.
2. **Suspend car washing and lawn watering/irrigation.** Report non-essential water use to Metro Water Services at kim.minton@nashville.gov
3. **Turn off water** while brushing your teeth, shaving, washing your hands or lathering in the shower.
4. **Shorten shower time** to absolute minimum. Shower less frequently.
5. **Reuse towels and clothing** between laundering. Unsoiled clothes can be worn more than once between laundering.
6. **Let the laundry pile up. Use paper plates. Run your clotheswasher and dishwasher only when absolutely necessary and when they are full.**
7. **Suspend use of the garbage disposal.** Kitchen sink disposals require lots of water to operate properly. Discard or compost vegetable food waste instead.
8. **Do not waste water waiting for it to get hot from the faucet.** Capture it for other uses or heat it on the stove.
9. **Check faucets, hoses and toilets for leaks.**
10. **Flush toilets only when necessary** (it's not necessary with each use). Post signs by sinks and toilets to remind you and your family to conserve water.

