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Message from the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District NO. 41

## **REGARDING WATER**

Regarding water, we are fortunate to live in Village of Oak Lake, in Fort Bend County, in the Greater Houston Area, in Texas, in the USA.

Water is a vital necessity for all of us. We can turn on our faucets and know that we have safe, potable water.

Three in 10 people worldwide (2.1 billion) lack access to safe water at home, and six in 10 people (4.5 billion) don't have sanitation, according to a new report by the World Health Organization (WHO) and UNICEF.

With our abundance of water, we still need to conserve it, stop wasting it. It's still getting more costly, and our Fort Bend Subsidence District, created by the state in 1989, reminds us of several things we can do to conserve water and reduce our personal costs:

- Limit shower time to five minutes to save both water and the energy to heat it.
- Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth and save an estimated 1,500 gallons of water yearly.



• Leaks. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that about 10% of our homes have leaks that waste up to 90 gallons or more every day. Many water losses are from worn toilet flappers and leaky faucets.

- Install water-efficient fixtures and appliances and save up to 20 %, according to the EPA.
- Visit smartaboutwater.org for tons of local water conservation advice.
- Follow social media such as Smarter About Water, or EPA Water Sense for more water conservation tools and resources.

Your MUD operator, Municipal Operations & Consultants (MOC), changes out your water meter every 1,00,000 gallons.

If you have questions about excessive water use at your home or a water line leak, please call MOC at (281)367-5511. If a water line break occurs on your private water line the repair costs are yours. When the leak is at the main line, service line or meter the expense normally is the districts.

Some 40 of the 1,140 VOL homeowners have sprinkler systems. Inspection of hoses and sprinkler heads is important. A broken sprinkler head may waste 25,000 gallons in six months. For sprinkler repairs, check your installer, or the website. Knowing when and how much to water allows you to keep a healthy landscape.

Each one of us can help save water and save personal costs. Together, we can be an exemplary community. — Wayne Chandler, Director FBC MUD 41

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