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Dear water supplier in a watershed with abnormally dry to severe drought conditions,

After reviewing the new <u>Drought Monitor map</u>, assessing recent rainfall totals and recent streamflow levels, the following watersheds are now in the Drought Watch Phase:

- Minnesota
- St. Croix
- Des Moines
- Missouri Big Sioux

According to the <u>Minnesota Statewide Drought Plan</u>, this means public water suppliers in these watersheds are required to take action to provide conservation information and request customers to **implement voluntary measures** to reduce water use.

Water Supplier Actions Needed

1. All Water Suppliers in Drought Watch Phase:

- a. Monitor potential conflicts and problems and notify DNR of source conflicts.
- b. Provide conservation information and request customers to implement voluntary measures to reduce water use.

Other Suggestions:

- During times of drought, monitor your water levels closely. Keep in mind that water quality may be impacted by increased concentrations of contaminants.
- Please alert your local <u>DNR hydrologists</u> to any water supply concerns or issues.
- <u>Sign up</u> to receive GovDelivery updates about drought in Minnesota, drought preparations and response, and important ways to conserve water.

Best regards,

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