Deadline to Eliminate Outdoor Watering Approaches

Starting September 6th, residents and businesses in portions of greater Los Angeles County are being called on to suspend outdoor watering for 15 days as a critical imported water pipeline is shut down for emergency repairs. The Metropolitan Water District is joined by its member agencies and local retail water agencies in the water-saving call to stretch Southern California’s severely limited water supplies as Metropolitan repairs this pipeline.

The 36-mile Upper Feeder pipeline is an important part of Metropolitan’s regional water system, delivering Colorado River water into Southern California. After a leak was discovered in the pipeline earlier this year, Metropolitan made a temporary repair and began operating the pipeline at a reduced capacity while a more permanent solution was designed and developed. The repair is being made Sept. 6th-20th, during which the pipeline will be shut down.

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Roadsters, Hots Rods & Coupes Compete at Show

The Bellflower Noon Lions Club and the City of Bellflower will co-host this year’s Bellflower Blvd. Car Show on Saturday, September 24th from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Stop by to check out custom engines and paint jobs out on display along the boulevard in Downtown! Specialty car items and gifts will be available for purchase.

At 3:00 p.m. Hollywood Blond will take the stage and provide live music until 7:00 p.m. All prizes offered throughout the show will be awarded at the main stage at 6:00 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Vehicle registration is now open. Reserved spaces are $45 and non-reserved spaces are $40. Vendor booths are also still available. If you are a member of a car club or group, each vehicle owner must register individually. However, you can include your club or group name and we will make our best efforts to place your group together. The final date to register your vehicle is September 17th. Thank you to the show’s top sponsors George Chevrolet and Leo & Sons Garage.

For more info call (562) 317-4325 or visit www.bellflowercarshow.com.

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Mark Your Calendar

City Hall Closed - Monday, September 5th

There will be no trash collection or street sweeping on the holiday
Collection for the remainder of the week will be delayed by one day
Join the community to learn about the City of Bellflower’s recent accomplishments and future goals hosted by Mayor Ray Dunton at the annual State of the City Luncheon & Presentation. The event will take place at The Mayne Events Center located at 16400 Bellflower Blvd.

Tickets are $50.00 per person and are on sale now through September 14, 2022. Tickets may be purchased by visiting the City of Bellflower’s website or in person at Simms, Thompson or Caruthers Parks. For more information, call (562) 804-1424, ext. 2267.

Prior to Shutdown

- Delay new plantings until after Sept. 20.
- Avoid fertilizing lawns and plants prior to the shutdown.
- Weed your garden to help make more water available for your plants.
- Set your sprinkler timer to the “OFF” position on the evening of Sept. 5.
- Aerate your lawn & add compost two weeks prior to the shutdown.
- Set mowers for a higher cut or avoid mowing. Longer grass helps reduce evaporation.
- Do a normal watering of your lawn according to your agency’s watering schedule.

Shrubs / Flowers / Ground Covers

- Water deeply and early the morning of Monday, Sept. 5, or on the last day hand watering is allowed in your community before the shutdown.
- Add mulch around your plants three inches from the stem. Do not irrigate mulch, pull it away while watering then put back into place.
- Shade your plants where possible with a sun cloth, canopy tents or umbrellas.
- Water succulents and other desert plants as normal.

Trees

- On Monday, Sept. 5, or on the last day hand watering is allowed in your community before the shutdown, deep-water your trees and shrubs by hand watering, setting soaker hoses or watering with a regular hose on a slow trickle. Water until soil is soaked to a depth of 8-12 inches.
- Surround the tree with mulch before watering for added moisture retention. Make sure the mulch is three inches from the trunk.

During the Shutdown

- Eliminate all outdoor watering.
- Two weeks of no watering will not kill your lawn. Though you will see a noticeable yellowing, it will improve once your previous watering schedule resumes.
- Do not mow your lawn. Minimize the use of your lawn for playing, parking vehicles.

Indoors

- Put a bucket in your shower to collect water as the shower warms up. Use for houseplants, sensitive outdoor plants and areas of the lawn that may show excessive stress (hot spots).
- Take short showers (5-min max).
- Do not leave water running when washing dishes. Fill a small bin or bucket with water to wash your dishes in. When you’re done, use that water for trees and grass.

For more info visit bewaterwise.com

City Swag for Sale

It’s time to show off your civic pride! The City of Bellflower has two new items for sale featuring the traditional Bellflower USA logo on a navy blue t-shirt and an embroidered trucker snapback hat. To purchase an item, call the City Store at (562) 804-1424 ext. 2103.
Safety Measures Can Keep Workers and Customers Safe

While Los Angeles County COVID-19 numbers are continuing to improve, common sense worksite strategies like masking, vaccinations, staying home when sick, and reporting of clusters can keep both employees and customers safe.

Employers are required to provide all employees at indoor worksites, where masking is optional, with medical grade masks and respirators for voluntary use.

In order to reduce transmission at worksites, employers are required to report any cluster of worksite COVID-19 cases to the Department of Public Health. A cluster is three or more laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 at the worksite within a 14-day period. Reports to Public Health should be made as soon as possible and no later than 48 hours after reports or knowledge of at least three cases. Worksites can report a cluster to Public Health online or by phone: 1-888-397-3993.

Residents or workers who are a close contact to someone with COVID-19 and have no symptoms are not required to quarantine but must wear a highly protective mask around others, monitor their health for 10 days and get tested 3-5 days after they were last exposed. If they test positive for COVID-19 within the last 90 days, they don’t need to test unless they get symptoms. If their test result is positive, they must isolate.

Some close contacts must quarantine or be excluded from work if they live or work in select high-risk settings, such as homeless shelters, healthcare settings, long-term care centers, senior care facilities and local correctional facilities and detention centers. For info visit publichealth.lacounty.gov.

New Businesses Celebrate Success With Ceremony

Applause and cheers rung throughout Downtown Bellflower on August 4th to celebrate three Grand Openings on the same afternoon! The Bellflower Chamber of Commerce hosted ceremonies for Stormy Weather Designs, Nail Lab Professional Spa, and Postres Cafe.

Congratulations to all three women-owned businesses, we wish you the very best.

Stormy Weather Designs: stormyweather-designs.myshopify.com
Nail Lab: www.naillabspa.com
Postres Cafe: www.postrescafe.com

Community Barbecue Event at Starbucks

The new Starbucks location at the Belle Fleur Center welcomes the community to join the fun at their Community Barbecue Event on Saturday, September 3rd from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This free event will provide hamburgers, hotdogs and a chance to unwind and play some games. Stop by to enjoy lunch and meet the team of baristas located at 17648 Bellflower Blvd.
The LA County Department of Public Health has confirmed the first cases of human West Nile virus (WNV) infection in Los Angeles County for the 2022 season (excluding Long Beach and Pasadena). A total of six cases have been identified, most of whom were hospitalized for their illness in late July and early August. The cases reside in the Antelope Valley, San Fernando Valley, and San Gabriel Valley and all are recovering.

West Nile virus (WNV) is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito. Symptoms may include fever, headache, nausea, body aches, and a mild skin rash. WNV can affect the brain and spinal cord and result in meningitis, encephalitis, paralysis and even death.

There is no vaccine for WNV and no treatment to cure the illness once an individual becomes sick.

Adults over the age of 50 years and those with chronic health problems are at higher risk of severe illness if infected. While not all mosquitoes carry this virus, the type of mosquito that spreads this virus is found throughout Los Angeles County.

For more information visit publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/westnile.

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Patrols city parking facilities and streets to enforce parking ordinances, writes parking citations, enforces and ensures compliance with a variety of federal, state, and local laws, codes, and regulations related to abandoned, wrecked or nuisance vehicles; follows-up on citizen complaints; issues notices, and citations and initiates abatement measures which includes towing, and impounding vehicles; processes necessary forms and related paperwork as required.

Equivalent to the completion of the twelfth (12th) grade supplemented by training in public safety support services or a related field. One (1) year of experience in a clerical or technical position related to law enforcement or criminal justice. Possession of valid CLD and insurability at regular rates for the City’s automobile insurance. Possession of, or ability to obtain, a PC832 Certificate, within one (1) year of hire. For full job description visit the website.
Share Your Thoughts About Library Services & Programs

The Los Angeles County Library invites the public to join them for a series of live, virtual Community Feedback Sessions in September to share your thoughts on services and programs via real-time polls and a virtual chat. Participants will also have an opportunity to win L.A. County Library swag, a Kindle, or a gift card generously donated by LA County Library Foundation.

Sessions will be held: September 7th, September 19th, September 20th, September 26th, and September 29th. To RSVP for a session or to learn more about the library sessions visit LACountyLibrary.org/community feedback.

Library Garden Park Holds World Record

Across the street from the Clifton M. Brakensiek Library sits the Library Garden, which features a stack of books, one open wide so you can read it, a fancy clock, a giant apple, and also a host of famous quotes etched into concrete; the garden sets the world record for the World's Largest Book Sculpture, according to the World Record Academy. For more facts visit www.worldrecordacademy.org.

Mark your Calendar

Special event at Steelcraft on Saturday, September 24th from 1:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Live music, a face painter, photobooth, and kids crafts with Miss Bellflower.
For Spanish speaking Bellflower business owners and residents, the City is working with Asociación Emprendedor@s to host a free 8-week program that will cover how to start, grow and operate a business. The first round of 30 participants earned their program certificates and gained a lot of business knowledge to help their business succeed. A small business expo to display their services and products followed the ceremony. The next course is now enrolling and will be held in-person with sessions every Tuesday from September 20th through November 8th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Ironfire Workspaces located at 17434 Bellflower Blvd. Ste 200 Bellflower, CA 90706.

To register visit the City’s website at www.bellflower.org/programs or call (714) 627-2671.

E-Citizen Highlights Businesses for Free

Are you a Bellflower business owner or operator who has something special to celebrate? Have you received an award, preparing for a special event or recently remodeled? If so, share your news with the City’s Economic Development Department at economic_dev@bellflower.org.

In addition to being featured in the E-Citizen, the Economic Development Department will begin a small business spotlight every month. Business owners will receive a 1-minute feature video to appear on cable channel 36, the City website and social media. To apply for the spotlight, email amiyashiro@bellflower.org or call (562) 804-1424 ext. 2249.
Thousands of people will see your vehicle!

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Saturday, September 24, 2022
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Register Online At: www.bellflower-car-show.com — It’s Fast and Easy!

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Make ___________________ Model ___________ Year ___________

LIABILITY WAIVER: I release and discharge Bellflower Noon Lions Club and its members of any and all known and unknown damages, injuries and claims from any causes that may be suffered by this entrant in their property or person related to this event. I also agree to permit the Bellflower Noon Lions Club to use names, pictures and photos for advertising and publicity purposes and relinquish any rights whatsoever. Bellflower Noon Lions Club will not be liable for refunding fees under any conditions.

Signature ___________________ Date __________

Mail to: Bellflower Car Show - P.O. Box 366 Bellflower, CA 90707
All cars must be in place by 1:00PM

Vehicle Entry Fees
Non-Reserve Space before 8/15/22: $25
Non-Reserve Space after 8/15/22: $40
Reserve Space before 8/15/22: $35
Reserve Space after 8/15/22: $45

Checks made payable to: Bellflower Lions Foundation
(See www.bellflower-car-show.com for available spaces)

Your T-Shirt Size
- Small
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