## **MUD 370 Alert**

Over the past 2 weeks the water plant has experienced high demand and has caused our district ground storage tanks to run lower than normal due to the high demand in the early morning hours. Currently HCMUD 370 is using 1.5 million (GPD) gallons per day. Compared to last year at this time our district was at 850,000 GPD

This is most likely due to higher use of irrigation and the probability that more people are staying at home due to COVID-19.

The following is a statement the MUD received from our surface water provider.

"With summer weather here at last, the surface water demand has been increasing towards our maximum daily amount received from the City of Houston. One or both of the surface water valves at your facility may be shut off during periods of peak demand to ensure we have enough water available to supply the MUDs with well issues or water supply commitments."

Our primary source of water is surface (lake) water purchased from the city of Houston. MUD 370 also has a water well located on the north side of West Little York. Water from this well is treated and then blended with purchased surface water. There has been a concerted effort to move from well (subsurface) water to surface water in order to address subsidence concerns throughout the greater Houston area. As demand increases or supply decreases a higher percentage of well water is required.

We are asking for your cooperation in reducing the stress on the system by being mindful of your water consumption and use this invaluable resource wisely. There are conservation tips included on your monthly billing statement. Conserving water is for the common good of the greater Houston area, MUD 370 infrastructure and also for your own pocketbook. Water costs continue to go up so it is in your own self-interest to conserve

As irrigation is typically the most significant use of water by residents, we will be working with LOEN's Landscape Committee to publish tips on cutting irrigation costs.

This message is intended to inform our residents and not to alarm them. There is no need to rush out to purchase bottled water.

Thank You for your cooperation.

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