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VILLAGE OF INTERLAKEN PLACED ON WATER CONSERVATION ORDER BY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The Village of Interlaken is currently running out of water. All residents served by the Interlaken water system are requested by the Village of Interlaken and the Seneca County Health Department to conserve water. **The situation is critical.** The Village and the Health Department are doing everything they can at this time to ensure that there is an adequate supply of water for consumption and fire suppression, and appreciates the understanding and cooperation of all those affected at this time. Because of this **critical issue**, the Seneca County Health Department and the Village of Interlaken Department of Public Works have issued a **CONSERVATION ORDER** for all those who are serviced with Village of Interlaken Water - effective immediately and in effect until further notice. A Conservation Order is an advisory to limit water usage as much as possible. **All residents served by the Interlaken water system are asked to do their part to conserve water.**

Conservation tips to conserve water include:

1. Use your dishwasher and washing machine only for full loads.
2. Run only full loads of laundry. If you are able, use laundromats in neighboring communities if at all possible.
3. If you wash your dishes by hand, do not leave the water running for rinsing.
4. Keep a bottle of drinking water in the refrigerator to keep it cool instead of running the water.
5. Use of disposable/single service dinnerware, cups and utensils will minimize dishes that need to be washed.
6. Check faucets and pipes for leaks. Leaks waste water 24 hours a day, seven days a week and often can be easily repaired.
7. Check your toilets for leaks. To test for leaks, add a small amount of food coloring to the toilet tank. If, without flushing, the color begins to appear in the bowl, you have a leak that should be repaired immediately.
8. Take shorter showers. Long showers can waste many gallons every extra minute.
9. Do not leave water running while brushing your teeth.
10. Do not wash your car.

We will post periodic updates. For further information you can call the Village of Interlaken Water Department at 607-532-8882, or the Seneca County Health Department at 315-539-1945.

