# DROUGHT EMERGENCY PLAN of the BLACK CANYON CITY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (as previously enacted 6/20/2002) A LEVEL 3 DROUGHT was declared at the 7/19/2012 Board Meeting. PLEASE READ & BE VIGILANT IN CONSERVING WATER; ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO DO LIKEWISE Level 3 includes both VOLUNTARY measures and MANDATORY MEASURES. Public awareness and cooperation is vital

# LEVEL ONE -

Defined as a noticeable drop in water levels within the District wells

Public Awareness with Voluntary Conservation Measures requested by: Including a notice on monthly bills to conserve water

### LEVEL TWO -

Defined as a continuation of water levels dropping over an extended period of time

Public Awareness with additional Voluntary Conservation Measures requested by:

- A. Poster on bulletin board notices requesting voluntary conservation and posting checklist for things to do; such as check for leaky faucets, toilets, swamp coolers, drip systems, etc.;
- B. Encourage people when watering outside plants with a garden hose NOT to leave hose unattended;
- C. Encourage people to do any outside watering in the evening, NEVER during the middle of the day;
- D. If leaky toilets are suspected, use food coloring in tank water to determine if leaking if color shows in bowl without flushing- it leaks
- E. Anyone who has very high water pressure can reduce consumption by having a pressure reducing valve installed (contact your local plumber).
- F. Low-water consumption toilets are readily available; If unable to replace a standard toilet with a low-water consumption toilet, the placement of a large stone or brick in the tank WILL reduce the amount of water used
- G. Automatic drip water systems encouraged; and, program should include a manual delay

#### LEVEL THREE -

Defined as when water levels continue to drop over a thirty day (30) period after reaching Level Two <u>and</u> when Voluntary Conservation measures are not working or greater measures are deemed necessary

In addition to voluntary measures above (Level 2) additional MANDATORY conservation measures required:

- A. NO washing of vehicles
- B. NO washing of sidewalks, decks, patios, parking lots or homes
- C. NO un-attended watering of trees or plants with garden hose

#### LEVEL FOUR -

Defined as when water levels within the wells of the District drop to an average of thirty-five feet (35') BELOW ground level

Moratorium on NEW water meter connections ABSOLUTELY no watering of grass lawns

# LEVEL FIVE -

Possible rate increase, or surcharge, on high use accounts as a means to DISCOURAGE high consumption of water