



# Water Conservation Tips

for farmers during a drought

## LOW WATER CONDITIONS



are slow to occur and caused by a combination of factors such as **lack of rain, high temperatures and increased demand for water.**



## DROUGHTS

can be stressful for farmers as dry seasons could lead to **loss of commercial, industrial, and agricultural production.**

Agricultural water consumers can make the most of their water supplies and **mitigate the impacts** of low water conditions by **implementing efficiencies** and **limiting non-essential water use.**

1

Check your irrigation systems regularly for **leaks** and ensure they **don't water faster** than what the ground can absorb.



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Irrigate **in the evening** or **later in the day** when temperatures are lower and there is **less evaporation loss.**



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Avoid irrigating during **windy conditions.**



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Use **rain gauges** to measure how much water your crops are getting.



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Follow your local municipality's **instructions** for obtaining water.



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Consider using **controlled tile drainage** to help keep more water and nutrients on crops during dry periods.



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