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FGUA Announces Moisture Conservation Program

(Holiday, New Port Richey and Trinity, FL) The Florida Governmental Utility Authority (FGUA) is announcing the Moisture Sensor Conservation Program. This program provides free equipment for Pasco Service area customers to monitor and reduce their lawn water consumption during the ongoing drought.

The FGUA Pasco County service area customer service office will distribute rain sensors that monitor rainfall and shut off sprinklers to avoid unnecessary lawn watering. The sensors may be obtained by visiting the FGUA Customer Service Office at 6915 Perrine Ranch Road in New Port Richey. Rain Sensors are limited and will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis. A FGUA billing statement with an account number and matching identification may be presented to Matt Rihs, Community Service Representative, during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

This FGUA program was prompted by recent announcements by the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) regarding the new additional Phase IV Water Restrictions for Hillsborough, Pasco and Pinellas Counties. Joining with SWFWMD, the FGUA allows outdoor irrigation with reclaimed (non-potable) and potable water according to SWFWMD guidelines. The additional Phase IV Water Restrictions state:

- All customers in Pasco County continue to be restricted to watering one day per week.
- The watering days remain the same as those previously established by SWFWMD. The lawn watering schedule is now from Midnight to 4 a.m. for properties less than one acre in size, using an in-ground irrigation system.
- Residential car washing is now prohibited as well as all aesthetic fountains and other water features.

For additional information, FGUA customers may contact the FGUA Pasco County Systems Customer Service Office at (727) 372-0015, log on to the FGUA web site at www.fgua.com or the SWFWMD web site at www.swfwmd.state.fl.us.

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