Alta Toler

I would like to comment that if we worked to conserve what we have that would help. I personally take short showers, and even changed my shower head from 2.5 gal per minute to 1.75; a very small saving, but if many did that it would help. My dishwasher is full when I run it as is my clothes washer. I was taught from a young age that water is precious, don't waste it. Spread the word through TV ads, talks, articles in newspapers?

I also think if we had a water bank for the dry times it would be as useful as our own saving accounts. Old, but true, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

I see my neighbors, who want that perfect lawn, water every day, even though the city has asked them to follow the summer water rules of approximately every other day with no watering one day a week for all. I like the idea of only allowing 1/12 of an acre to be watered. That is plenty of space and just because someone has the money or water to do more that is selfish behavior and does not work for the majority.

Curious, why aren't the exempt wells metered? How does anyone know how much they take? We need water to live and the time is coming when it will be scarce, even in WA. We can't keep putting off this very important issue.