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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR All Personnel, US Army Installation, Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia

SUBJECT: US Army Garrison, FS/HAAF Policy Memorandum #26, Irrigation Schedules

1. REFERENCES.

- a. Federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) at 42 U.S.C. §300f, *et seq.*; and its implementing regulations found at 40 CFR § 141, *et seq.*
- b. Executive Order 13514, Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance, 5 October 2009.
- c. Georgia Ground-Water Use Act, O.C.G.A. §12-5-90, *et seq.*, Georgia Safe Drinking Water Act, O.C.G.A. §12-5-170, *et seq.*, and the Rules for Outdoor Water Use found at Ga. Admin. Comp. ch. 391-3-30, *et seq.*
- d. Georgia Water Stewardship Act, O.C.G.A. §12-5-7, *et seq.*
- e. AR 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 December 2007.

2. APPLICABILITY. This policy is applicable to all civilian (and/or military) personnel assigned to and/or under the operational control of the Installation Management Command, tenant organizations, partners and contractors working at Fort Stewart / Hunter Army Airfield.

3. PURPOSE. To conserve water IAW Executive Order 13514, comply with outdoor watering schedules required by Special Coastal Water Permit Conditions, and comply with the applicable and referenced environmental acts, rules and regulations.

4. POLICY. Irrigation for the purposes of planting, growing, managing, or maintaining ground cover, trees, shrubs, or other plants regardless of water source are allowed on the Installation as follows.

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a. Irrigation systems may operate between the hours of 1600 to 2400 and 2400 to 1000; irrigation between the hours of 1000 and 1600 is prohibited unless exempted by the following uses:

(1) Hydroseeding;

(2) Installation, maintenance, or calibration of irrigation systems;

(3) Irrigation of new and replanted plants, seed, or turf in landscapes, golf courses, or sports turf fields during installation and for a period of 30 days immediately following the date of installation;

(4) Irrigation of golf course greens and tees; or

(5) Watering-in of pesticides and herbicides on turf.

b. Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield irrigates, at a minimum, IAW Outdoor Water Use Rules Declared Drought Response Level One. Irrigation may occur on scheduled days between the hours of 1600 to 2400 and 2400 to 1000.

(1) Scheduled days for odd-numbered addresses are Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday.

(2) Scheduled days for even-numbered addresses and addresses with no numbers are Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday.

(3) Alternative days for irrigation, at no more than 3 days per week, may be approved by the Directorate of Public Works, after coordination with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division IAW the Outdoor Water Use Rules.

(4) Scheduled days for golf courses are Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday as approved by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division. "Back to back" irrigation days help to maintain a healthier turf and conserves water.

c. Upon declaration of a drought by the Director the Georgia Environmental Protection Division IAW the Outdoor Water Use Rules, additional irrigation restrictions will be implemented under Drought Response Levels Two, Three, or Four as follows.

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(1) Declared Drought Response Levels Two and Three - The exemptions and schedules described in Section 4.a. and 4.b. above for Declared Drought Response Level One remain in effect with the following 2 additional restrictions.

(a) Irrigation systems may operate between the hours of 2400 to 1000; irrigation between the hours of 1000 and 2400 is prohibited unless exempted by the uses listed in Section 4.a. above.

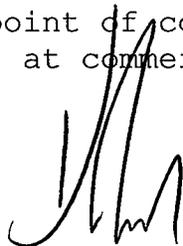
(b) Unless the sole water source for irrigation is stormwater or purple pipe reuse water, irrigation of golf course fairways may only occur on Wednesdays between the hours of 2400 to 1000 during Declared Drought Response Level Three.

(2) Declared Drought Response Level Four - The exemptions and schedules described in Section 4.a. and 4.b. above for Declared Drought Response Level One remain in effect. Additionally, irrigation of golf course fairways and tees is prohibited unless the sole source water for irrigation is stormwater or purple pipe reuse water.

d. All new irrigation systems will be controlled by a timer with a rain sensor attached. Existing irrigation systems will be upgraded with controls during renovations or major repairs.

e. This policy is considered a lawful general order, and failure to comply could result in adverse actions against civilian personnel or punitive action against military personnel.

5. PROPONENT. The Directorate of Public Works (DPW) is the proponent for this policy. The point of contact is DPW, Prevention and Compliance Branch, at commercial (912) 767-2010 or DSN 870-2010.



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