

# CRITICAL PERIOD TRIGGERS, STAGES, AND WITHDRAWAL REDUCTIONS

The following Critical Period triggers and percent reductions apply to all Municipal, Industrial and Irrigation users authorized to withdraw more than 3 acre-feet.



## San Antonio Pool

Critical Period is declared in the San Antonio Pool when the 10-day average of the rate of springflow at either the Comal or San Marcos springs, or aquifer reading at the J-17 Index Well in Bexar County drops below the Stage I trigger level. Likewise, a more restrictive stage of Critical Period is activated by any one of these triggers. However, the declaration of a less restrictive stage of Critical Period requires the 10-day averages of all three trigger levels to be above the activation thresholds of the particular stage in effect at the time.

| TRIGGER<br>(based on 10-day average) | CRITICAL PERIOD<br>STAGE I | CRITICAL PERIOD<br>STAGE II | CRITICAL PERIOD<br>STAGE III | CRITICAL PERIOD<br>STAGE IV | CRITICAL PERIOD<br>STAGE V |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Index Well J-17<br>Level (MSL)       | <660                       | <650                        | <640                         | <630                        | <625                       |
| San Marcos<br>Springs Flow (CFS)     | <96                        | <80                         | N/A                          | N/A                         | N/A                        |
| Comal Springs<br>Flow (CFS)          | <225                       | <200                        | <150                         | <100                        | <45/40*                    |
| <b>Withdrawal<br/>Reduction</b>      | 20%                        | 30%                         | 35%                          | 40%                         | 44%                        |

## Uvalde Pool

The Uvalde Pool enters Critical Period at Stage II based on the 10-day average of aquifer level readings at the J-27 Index Well in Uvalde County.

| TRIGGER<br>(based on 10-day average) | CRITICAL PERIOD<br>STAGE I | CRITICAL PERIOD<br>STAGE II | CRITICAL PERIOD<br>STAGE III | CRITICAL PERIOD<br>STAGE IV | CRITICAL PERIOD<br>STAGE V |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Index Well J-27<br>Level (MSL)       | N/A                        | <850                        | <845                         | <842                        | <840                       |
| San Marcos<br>Springs Flow (CFS)     | N/A                        | N/A                         | N/A                          | N/A                         | N/A                        |
| Comal Springs<br>Flow (CFS)          | N/A                        | N/A                         | N/A                          | N/A                         | N/A                        |
| <b>Withdrawal<br/>Reduction</b>      | N/A                        | 5%                          | 20%                          | 35%                         | 44%                        |

\*San Antonio Pool only: In order to enter into Critical Period Stage V, the applicable springflow trigger is either less than 45 cfs based on a ten-day rolling average or less than 40 cfs based on a three-day rolling average. Expiration of Critical Period Stage V is based on a ten-day rolling average of 45 cfs or greater.

Definitions: (MSL) Mean Sea Level; (CFS) Cubic Feet Per Second