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WaterWise Tips to Prepare for a Dry Winter

With no significant rainfall expected in the near future Dalby Town Council is urging residents to be water conscious in preparation for a dry winter.

By following some simple WaterWise tips Dalby residents can have a significant impact on the conservation of Dalby's valuable water reserve.

"If every household in Dalby reduced their daily consumption by 25 litres, which is less than 3 buckets of water, this would save over 100,000 litres a day. In one year alone this saving would total over 40 million litres," said Council's WaterWise representative Leigh Cook.

Council encourages residents to follow these practical WaterWise tips:

- Check your toilet, taps & watering system for leaks
- Install 'AAA' shower rose (see Council for rebate)
- Take shorter showers
- Wash your car with a bucket
- Make sure your washing machine & dishwasher is full before using
- Sweep driveways - don't hose
- Reduce grassed areas with paving or increased garden beds
- Rinse vegetables & dishes in a sink, not under a running tap
- Keep your garden free of weeds – they use water too
- Mulch gardens to help retain 70% more water, as well improving soil condition and appearance
- Plant drought tolerant turf and plants

Water conservation starts at home and by making a habit of being water conscious everyone can make a positive difference to the community during these dry conditions.

Residents are reminded that water usage is restricted to hand-held hoses and dripper systems between the hours of 5pm and 7pm on allocated watering days.

Council will continue to issue infringement notices to residents who ignore current water restrictions. If you witness a breach in progress please call Council's Engineering Services on 4672 1179.

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