



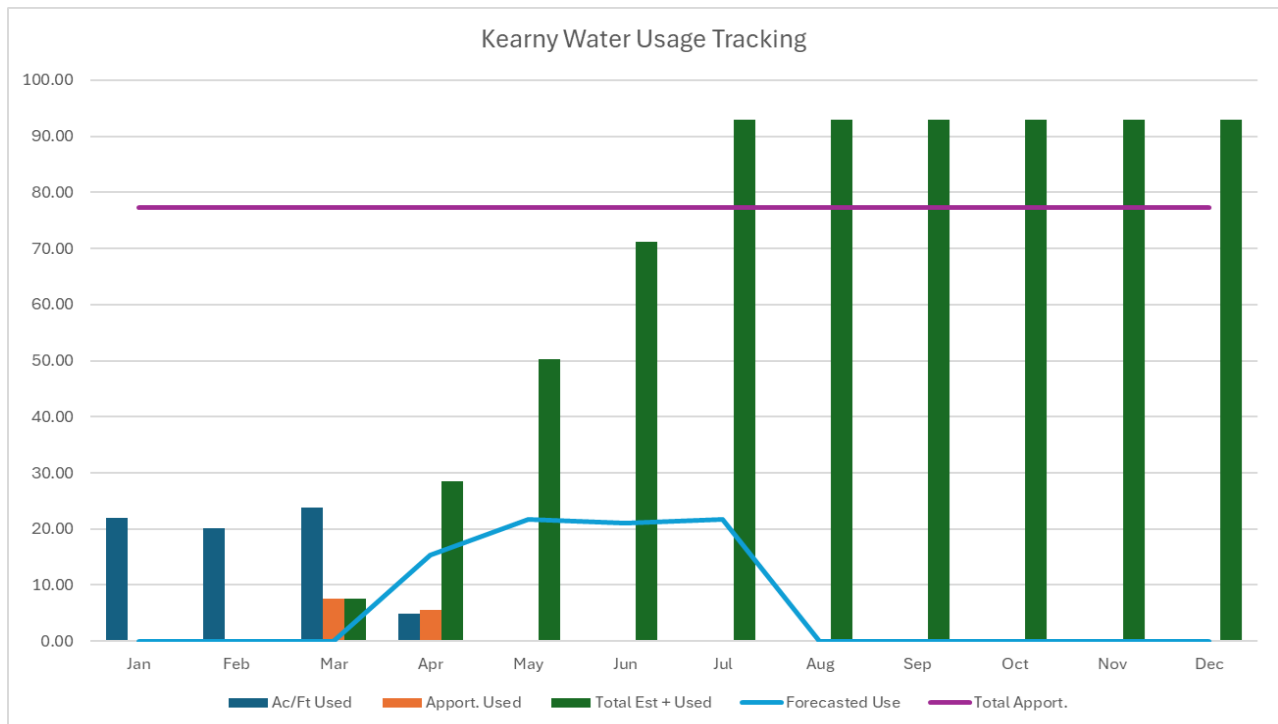
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Dear residents of Kearny.

As you all should be aware of by now, our town faces a significant shortage of water. The Mayor and Town Council have implemented the most severe water restrictions we can impose. There can be none of the following:

- Washing of vehicles
- Watering of landscape of any kind
- Washing of sidewalks/porches/driveways
- Filling of any pools, including small "kiddie" pools
- Any other use of water not related to sanitation or use to support life

We have been monitoring the usage of water since the implementation of the emergency decree. Unfortunately, we are seeing an increase in water usage rather than a decrease. The chart below shows the challenge we face.



To help you understand the graph, the blue bar represents actual water used this year by month. The Orange bar represents the total amount of our allotment we have used by month, it is important to note that not all water we use is counted against our allotment; as

of late March the Gila River Water Commissioner has been charging against our apportionment at ~0.7 ac/ft per day. That is not likely to stop until we get monsoon rain activity. The green bar is the total cumulative amount of our apportionment we have used plus the forecasted use based on current water consumption. The light blue line is the forecasted use, it only extends 4 months and is based on continued consumption of 0.6 ac/ft per day. The purple line is our total apportionment of water for the year as of today. Once the green bar crosses the purple line, we are out of water.

Based on current usage within the Kearny water distribution system, we WILL run out of water on or about July 15, 2026. When that happens, there will be no water available to any of us for any purpose until we receive a new allotment from the Gila River Water Commissioner. You will turn on your faucet and there will be no water, that is the stark reality we face. The only way to change this outcome is for each of us to suffer a little now so that we do not suffer greatly in the future.

Based on the increase in water usage, I can only assume that some residents have not been informed of the situation, I am telling you now - We MUST reduce our water usage immediately. I know this is not easy as we have all gotten used to water just being available any time we need it. That is not the case today, if we do not change our behaviors voluntarily we certainly will change them when we no longer have water available for use.

You do have some options and some of you have approached Myself or Town Staff with them:

Landscaping - water can be hauled in and stored in barrels for landscaping, Town Hall can point you to the vendors who can accommodate this.

Drinking water - we all know Kearny water tastes awful anyway, get your cooking and drinking water from vendors who are bringing it in from outside the town.

Pools - water can be hauled in for use in pools.

Dust control - we are allowing water to be pumped from the lake for this, you will need your own pump to accommodate this.

Laundry - wear it a second or even third day.

Bathing/Showers - no better time to connect with your significant other; showering at work is also a great option if it exists for you.

Leaks - If you suspect or know you have a leak, please get it fixed immediately. Our town staff can assist with this if you need help locating the leak. Toilets are notorious for this, please check them, town staff can assist you with this if needed.

Community means we are all in this together. I would not want to run out of water knowing I did not do everything I could to conserve when I had the chance to do so. We are doing everything we can at the Town Staff level to stretch our allotment as far as we can with as little pain as is possible for us all. We need you all to do what you can to help us stretch this water as far as it will go. In the coming days we will be installing electronic signage to help you manage water usage. More information will be coming soon regarding that.

Always Your Servant - Mayor Stacy