



September 23, 2024

Re: Implementation of Stage 4 Critical Period Management in the San Antonio Pool

Dear EAA Permit or Lease Holder:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA) has declared Stage 4 of its Critical Period Management (CPM) Plan for the San Antonio Pool effective September 18, 2024.

Stage 4 was triggered by the 10-day average spring flow at Comal Springs dropping below the Stage 4 trigger level of 100 cubic feet per second and the J-17 level dropping below the Stage 4 trigger level of 630 ft. Stage 4 will remain in effect until such time as the criteria for this stage no longer exist.

Under Stage 4 critical period, all permit holders in the San Antonio Pool authorized to withdraw more than three (3) acre-feet will have their permit volumes reduced based on the stage and number of days in a stage. Reductions are calculated by dividing the number of days the San Antonio Pool is in a stage of CPM by 365 days then multiplying by the correlating reduction percentage in effect. To assist you in calculating your groundwater withdrawal reductions throughout the year, you can access our online critical period calculator found on our website at [www.edwardsaquifer.org](http://www.edwardsaquifer.org).

Please also remember that during any stage of critical period, you must submit monthly groundwater withdrawal reports with the EAA within ten (10) business days after the end of the month. For ease of reporting, we recently developed a mobile app, *Meter Matters*, for both iPhone and Android. Online reporting, along with other critical period information are also available on our website. You may email, mail, or fax your completed reports to:

**Email:** [CriticalPeriod@edwardsaquifer.org](mailto:CriticalPeriod@edwardsaquifer.org)

**Mail:** Edwards Aquifer Authority

Attention: Critical Period Team

900 E. Quincy

San Antonio, Texas 78215

**Fax:** (210) 222-9869

For information regarding Critical Period Management please call the Critical Period Team at (210) 477-1883 or (866) 931-3239. Thank you for your support in managing, enhancing and protecting our shared water resource, the Edwards Aquifer.

Sincerely,

Marc Friberg  
Deputy General Manager