

# TOWN OF IPSWICH UTILITIES DEPARTMENT



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## ***DROUGHT UPDATE:***

<i>Status</i>	<i>Action Level</i>
Normal	No Restrictions
Mild	Voluntary Restrictions
<b>Moderate</b>	<b>Mandatory Restrictions</b>
Severe	Water Ban
Emergency	Water Ban & Limit Indoor Use

### ***What does this mean?***

- Limit non-essential water use
- Water by hand-held hose between 7:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. only
- No irrigation sprinkler use
- No vehicle washing
- No filling or refilling of swimming pools

### ***How much water is in the reservoirs?***

Total Storage Capacity	91,400,000
Capacity on 6/14/18	72,500,000

(Capacity in gallons)

### ***How much rain has fallen and how much water is the town using?***

	<b>Rainfall (inches)</b>	<b>Average Daily Demand (million gallons per day)</b>
As of May 1	19.39	1.1
As of June 1	21.64	1.2
June 2 - 10	0.80	1.2

### ***Where did last week's water come from?***

- 74% Reservoir Water
- 26% Well Water

### ***What's happening with the Dow Brook Reservoir Dam?***

The dam has been deemed UNSAFE by the Massachusetts Office of Dam Safety. As a result, approximately 15 million gallons of water was released from the reservoir in April to maintain the dam's stability. This will challenge the Town's ability to manage its water sources through the high demand summer months. Design of the repairs are nearly complete. Construction is expected in early fall once required permits have been issued.