



# WATER CONSERVATION

## *A Message from the Town of Boiling Springs*

Think about water. It's yours for the asking, 24 hours a day. All you have to do is turn on a faucet. But now think again. The water you use doesn't appear magically. It's a carefully manufactured product – clean, safe and piped directly into your home – a valuable resource that shouldn't be wasted. The high-quality water that we need and expect in our homes is not an infinite resource. Besides, you're paying for it whether it's used or wasted. So conservation can be good for your pocketbook, too. Water conservation is a good way of life. Let's practice it together.

### ***WAYS TO CONSERVE WATER OUTSIDE THE HOME***

#### Valves & Hoses

- ✓ Regularly check pipes, hoses, valves, and faucets for leaks.

#### Pool Care

- ✓ Use a pool cover to keep water clean and reduce evaporation. Recycle water for use on lawn or gardens.

#### Car Washing

- ✓ Use a bucket to wash your vehicle. Keep a nozzle on the hose to save water. Use a commercial car wash that recycles water.

#### Mowing

- ✓ Longer grass means less evaporation. Let grass grow taller in hot, dry weather. Set the mower one notch higher.

#### Sprinklers

- ✓ Don't water the pavement! Position sprinklers so that lawn and garden receive all the water.

#### Sidewalks & Driveways

- ✓ Use a broom instead of a water hose to clear debris from patios, driveways, and sidewalks.

Water conservation is a good way of life. Remember where water comes from and where it goes. A toilet flush uses up to seven gallons, water taps run at about five gallons a minutes while waiting for hot or cold, showers use five to ten gallons a minute, and leaks can soak up hundreds or even thousands of gallons a day. It isn't hard to conserve water, it doesn't change our lives drastically. It's mostly a matter of using good common sense. Think about water – and when you do – think about conserving it.