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## **Water Restrictions lifted for West Melton and Springfield**

Watering restrictions have now been lifted for properties connected to the West Melton and Springfield water supplies.

The West Melton restrictions were in place due to Environment Canterbury restrictions on ground water take for bores supplying the town.

“Ground water levels are now recovering in West Melton, allowing the restrictions to be lifted,” says Murray England, Selwyn District Council’s Asset Manager Water Services.

Watering restrictions have also been lifted for Springfield. Restrictions were in place as the town is supplied by treated water from the Kowai River and the river was experiencing low flows due to weather conditions. River levels have now risen, enabling the restrictions to be lifted.

The lifting of restrictions mean that lawns and gardens may be watered at any time. The Council still encourages property owners to water lawns and gardens after 9pm and before 6am where possible as this is the time of lowest water use and also provides the best opportunity for water to soak into the ground.

“We would like to thank West Melton and Springfield residents for their assistance in observing the restrictions while they were in place,” says Mr England.

There are currently no watering restrictions in place for Council supplies as restrictions imposed in January for Doyleston, Kirwee, Leeston, Lincoln, Prebbleton and Rolleston due to the summer drought were lifted in March.

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