



Exp. 2024/2671. Decree of measures for the drought situation in the urban area of Colònia de Sant Pere, the Montferrutx urbanization, and s'Estanyol

Facts

1. On June 4, 2024, the municipal environmental technician issued a technical report stating that the wells supplying the Colònia de Sant Pere system show worrying piezometric levels, a situation that is not expected to improve with the arrival of summer due to the decrease in rainfall and the increase in seasonal consumption experienced by the areas of Colònia, s'Estanyol, and Montferrutx.

It has been verified through recent measurements that the water levels in the wells supplying these areas are in a very worrying state, and if the current consumption trend continues without predictions of continuous and significant rainfall, the situation could become critical.

2. The mentioned report presents a series of measures that should be taken to prevent the existing situation from worsening and to guarantee the supply of drinking water to the affected population. These measures are based on those determined in the Special Action Plan for Alert and Drought Situations of the Balearic Islands (PESIB).
3. Given that the City Council directly provides the water supply service and that water, according to Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of October 23, "is not a commercial good like others, but a heritage that must be protected and defended," being essential for daily life, consumable, and only partially renewable, the need to address the current problem as soon as possible is evident.
4. In view of the applicable regulations, especially the Special Action Plan for Alert and Drought Situations of the Balearic Islands (PESIB), the Hydrological Plan of the Hydrographic Demarcation of the Balearic Islands (2022-2027), and the Regulation of Drinking Water Supply and Sewerage Services of the municipality of Artà.

By virtue of the powers granted to this Mayor's Office by Law 20/2006, of December 15, on municipal and local governance of the Balearic Islands, and Law 7/1985, of April 2, regulating the bases of local governance, and given the need to take immediate measures regarding the current situation,

I RESOLVE:

1. To prohibit the use of drinking water for garden irrigation, filling pools, cleaning terraces or cars, as well as any other activity that involves excessive water consumption, in the areas of s'Estanyol, Montferrutx, and Colònia de Sant Pere. Excessive use will be considered as that which exceeds 117 liters per inhabitant per day, a reference amount according to the INE for the Balearic Islands.



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2. To order the Local Police of Artà and/or municipal personnel assigned to this task, with authority functions, to supervise the compliance with this resolution, applying, when necessary, the corresponding sanctioning regime in accordance with the Regulation of Drinking Water Supply and Sewerage Services of Artà.

3. To publish this Resolution on the municipal website and notice board and issue the corresponding edict to give greater dissemination of the measures to be adopted.

Artà, June 5th 2024.

The Mayor

Manuel Galán Massanet

