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CITY OF ALPINE IMPLEMENTS STAGE 4 – CRITICAL WATER SHORTAGE CONDITIONS

Alpine, Texas — The City of Alpine has implemented **Stage 4 – Critical Water Shortage Conditions** under the City’s Drought Contingency and Water Conservation Plan due to a critical failure within the municipal well system impacting the City’s water supply and distribution capabilities.

An emergency discussion regarding the water system conditions was held during the May 5, 2026, City Council meeting to provide updates regarding the ongoing response efforts, operational impacts, and potential long-term solutions to stabilize the City’s water infrastructure.

City staff have been actively responding to the situation overnight. Fire apparatus have been utilized to transport water in an effort to maintain adequate system levels; however, current demand continues to exceed available supply in portions of the system. The west side of the community, which is supplied through storage tanks receiving water from the Sunny Glen well field, is currently experiencing the most significant impacts.

At this time, all municipal wells remain operational with the exception of Roberts Well No. 3. The City has been advised by its water well expert that Roberts Well No. 3 should be permanently plugged and abandoned due to the condition of the well. Based on this recommendation, the City intends to move forward with efforts to drill a replacement well, which is expected to help stabilize the overall water distribution system and improve long-

term system reliability. The City is anticipating this process to take approximately 4 to 6 weeks.

The City continues to work with utility personnel, technical experts, emergency management officials, and regional partners to stabilize the system and restore normal operations as quickly as possible.

Under Stage 4 conditions, residents and businesses are urged to immediately conserve water and comply with all mandatory restrictions contained within the City's Drought Contingency Plan. These restrictions include, but are not limited to:

- No outdoor irrigation or landscape watering;
- No washing of vehicles, driveways, sidewalks, or other paved surfaces;
- No filling or refilling of swimming pools, hot tubs, or ornamental fountains;
- Immediate repair of water leaks where possible; and
- Limiting water usage to essential health and safety needs only.

Residents may experience reduced water pressure or temporary service interruptions as the City works to manage available supply and maintain system integrity. Additional updates will be provided as information becomes available.

The City of Alpine appreciates the public's immediate cooperation and conservation efforts during this critical situation.

For updates, please monitor the City of Alpine's official website and social media platforms.