City gets praise for water conservation

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The Winter River—Tracadie Bay Watershed Association is applauding "important measures taken by the City of Charlottetown to conserve water during extremely dry periods like those we experienced this summer."

At its Monday monthly meeting, the city implemented legislation which changes the voluntary guidelines about activities to conserve water during such periods to bylaws which can be enforced.

"This is of particular importance because all of Charlottetown's water comes from the Winter River watershed and two of the three wells are pumping at levels beyond what is sustainable, as they have for some time," said association co- chair Cathy Corrigan.

"The effect of such legislation will not only reduce water use, but will help to raise awareness about the importance of conservation to protect the city's water source and the well being of the Winter River watershed."