

UCONN OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY

WATER CONSERVATION

AT UCONN





Why Save Water At **AII?**

- plant life
- Conserving water:

 - drying up

 - - water

• Only 1% of all water on Earth is freshwater, i.e. consumable to humans

• A lack of water can drastically change habitats and have detrimental effects on wildlife and

 Well water comes from underground aquifers that need time to replenish. If we draw water too quickly, these aquifers can become depleted

• Maintains water quality

• Reduces energy needed to heat water

• Prevent lakes, rivers, wetlands, etc. from

• Minimizes water pollution and health risks • Saves energy used to pump, heat, and treat



THE FENTON RIVER

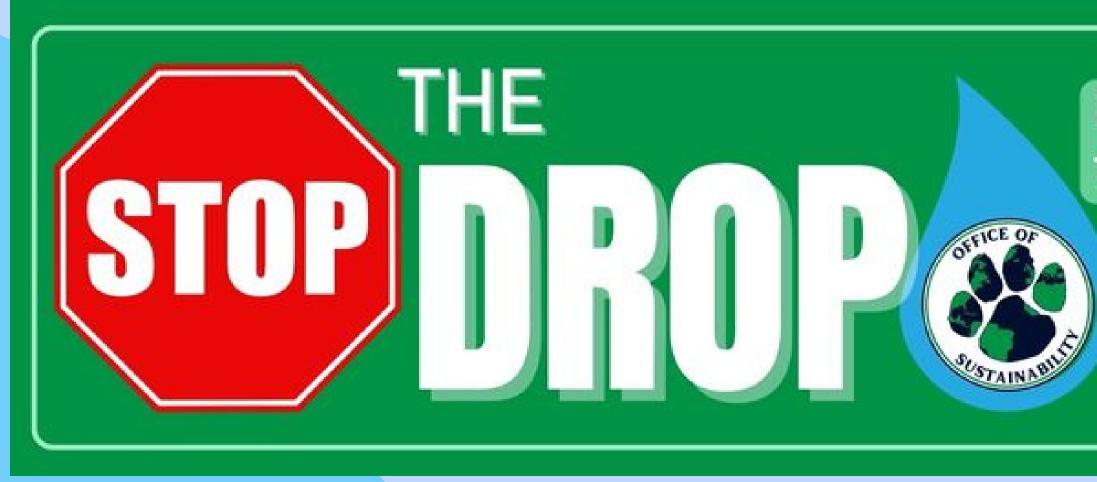
UConn draws most of its water from the Willimantic River wellfields (approx. 1.3 million) gallons per day)

In 2005, 1/4 of a mile stretch of the Fenton River was dried up due to drought and excessive use of its water.



Stop the Drop!

A leaky faucet can waste up to 20 gallons per day!



Report Leaks Immediately to Facilities Operations

(860) 486-3113 <u>or</u> with the my UConn app's maintenance icon <u>or</u> maintenance.uconn.edu

Tips and Tricks

- Only run water if you are using it
- Turn off the water while brushing your teeth
- Avoid unnecessary flushing
- Do not use toilets as trash cans
- Hang dry your clothes
- Wear your clothes more than once



UConn's Water Pollution Control Facility

Water Conservation Advisories

In order to prevent drying up of rivers, please pay attention to Water Conservation Advisories:

These are messages distributed by the University alerting students and faculty of water shortages.

There are many ways you can save water all the time, but please take extreme caution during these advisories.



To find out more, check out the OS website at: https://sustainability.uconn.edu/water-<u>conservation/</u> and check us out on social media Ouconnos.

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