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### **RESIDENTS ASKED TO CONSERVE WATER USAGE**

Whitsunday Regional Council is urging residents of Jubilee Pocket, Airlie Beach and Cannonvale to conserve water so as to avoid the risk of running out.

Council's Mayor, Mike Brunker said due to the power outage, residents must conserve water and not use it for washing or outdoor usage such as hosing driveways and yards and other major clean up activities.

"We need people to limit water usage to essential needs only," Cr Brunker said.

"We just can't afford to use the water unnecessarily as we do not want the residents to be without power and water," he said.

Council and Ergon Energy are currently working towards restoring power to water supply mains and pumps serving the beach area however power to these services are unlikely to be available until mid to late afternoon.

Based on current water usage, the beach area will run out of water before power is restored unless water usage is limited.

Council thanks the residents for their co-operation during this difficult time and asks for their patience and understanding until the situation is rectified.

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