



California's Drought Water Conservation Notice

In many areas of the state, more than 50% of residential water use is for lawns and outdoor landscaping. This is why taking simple steps to limit outdoor use can have a significant impact on conserving water.

On July 15, 2014, the California State Water Resources Control Board adopted emergency regulations severely limiting outdoor water use in all communities throughout the state, irrespective of individual circumstances. Mandatory restrictions are now in effect.

"We are facing the worst drought impact that we or our grandparents have ever seen," said State Water Board Chair Felicia Marcus. "And, more important, we have no idea when it will end."

Additionally, the City of El Segundo's water conservation ordinance has been in effect since January 1, 2010. Combined, the state mandate and city ordinance lay out a variety of water conservation actions that must be taken to limit water consumption to the maximum extent possible.

Here's what you need to know...

- ◆ Do not wash down your driveway and sidewalk.
- ◆ Do not over water your yard and landscaping, allowing excess water to run off. Overspray of landscaping is prohibited.
- ◆ Limit outdoor watering to twice a week. **Lawns CANNOT be watered between 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.** unless the watering is controlled via sensor, by drip irrigation or performed by hand.
- ◆ Limit watering to no more than 15 minutes.
- ◆ Do not wash any vehicle, equipment, machinery, building or structure at home unless your hose has a shut-off nozzle. Better yet take your car to a car wash that recycles its water.
- ◆ Do not use water in a fountain or other decorative water feature unless it is outfitted with a recirculating pump.
- ◆ Restaurants must not serve water to patrons unless specifically requested.
- ◆ Indiscriminate use of running water which is wasteful and without reasonable purpose is unlawful.

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**We don't know how long this drought will last.
Let's all do our part to conserve California's most precious resource!**