

## Water Conservation Stage 2

Given the low amount of rainfall received this year and in support of statewide efforts to reduce water use, Marina Coast Water District customers are asked to follow the Stage 2 voluntary water use curtailment.

Please do your part to help us achieve the 20% Demand Reduction Goal in Stage 2 Water Use Curtailment. The primary ways to achieve this goal are:

- Immediately stopping and repairing leaks
- Reducing watering days
- Replacing lawns with low water use plants
- Retrofitting to high-efficiency water fixtures and toilets

Please remember to follow these curtailment practices on water waste at all times. A partial list of these practices are shown below.

## Water Waste Curtailment Policies Within Stage 2

- No person shall cause or permit water to run to waste.
- Spray irrigation events shall occur before 10:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m.
- No person shall irrigate their landscapes at any time while it is raining.
- Irrigating landscapes or using water in a matter that causes runoff to waste is prohibited.
- Using potable water to clean driveways, sidewalks, or other hard surfaced areas, except where necessary to protect public health or safety, is not permitted.
- Using a hose for the permitted washing of buildings and vehicles without the use of an automatic shut-off nozzle is prohibited.
- Potable water should not be used in fountains or other decorative water features unless the water recirculates.
- Plumbing and irrigation leaks, breaks, or defects shall be repaired within seventy-two (72) hours.
- Public entities shall display placards or decals promoting water conservation and the prohibition of water waste.
- Restaurants shall not serve water to customers, except upon request.

## **Follow These Tips to Conserve Water**

- Identify and repair leaks. The most common leaks are in toilets and within irrigation systems.
- Take short showers, no more than 5 minutes.
- Don't run the water when brushing your teeth, shaving, or hand washing

- the dishes.
- Turn off your automated irrigation system and water your landscape manually, only as needed.
- Collect rainwater and use it for landscaping and washing the car.
- Retrofit to high efficiency toilets, clothes washers, low-flow showerheads, and one-half gallon per minute faucet aerators.
- Wash laundry and dishes with full loads.
- Use drip irrigation for landscaping.
- Use mulch around trees and plants.
- Use a bucket to wash the car instead of running the hose.

For more tips on how to conserve water, visit<u>www.saveourwater.com</u>.

For personal assistance with leaks, high water use, or efforts to conserve water, contact us at (831) 384-6131 or visit <u>www.mcwd.org</u>.

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