



Water Resources
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There's a Drought On. Turn the Water Off.

Indoor

Conservation Tips

Estimated Savings

Run the dishwasher only when full	1-2 Gallons per day
Don't leave water running when rinsing dishes	5-10 gallons per day
Turn off water when brushing your teeth	4 gallons per day
Shorten showers	10 gallons per day
Don't use the toilet as a wastebasket	2 gallons per day
Fix leaky toilets	30-50 gallons per day per toilet
Fix leaky faucets	15-20 gallons per day per leak
Replace older, inefficient clothes washers	20-30 gallons per day
Replace older, high-volume flushing toilets	6-10 gallons per day
Wash only full loads of clothes	15-48 gallons per day
Install aerators with flow restrictions on kitchen/ bathroom faucets	4.7 gallons per day

Outdoor

Conservation Tip

Estimated Savings

Water only in the late evening or early morning hours to reduce evaporation and interference from wind	20-25 gallons per day
Adjust sprinklers to prevent overspray and runoff	15-25 gallons per day
Repair leaks and broken sprinkler heads	50-100 gallons per day
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce each irrigation cycle by 1-3 minutes, or eliminate one irrigation cycle per week. Water only after the top inch of soil is dry Adjust irrigation controllers with the seasons and replace batteries in the spring and fall 	100-165 gallons per day
Add 2"-3" of mulch around trees and plants to reduce evaporation. Healthy plants in a moist bed rich in organic material need watering less frequently.	20-25 gallons per day
Install water-efficient drip irrigation systems for trees, shrubs, and flowers to get water to the plants roots more efficiently.	20-25 gallons per day
Replace a portion of lawn with beautiful native and climate appropriate plants.	33-60 gallons per day per 1,000 square feet
Use a broom instead of a hose to clean driveways and sidewalks	8-18 gallons per day
Get a self-closing nozzle for your hose	8-18 gallons per day
Install covers on pool and spas to reduce evaporation	30 gallons per day