

Voluntary Water Use Reduction Request

Dear Water Customer:

By now everyone is aware that we are experiencing one of the driest water years in California history. At **Lincoln Avenue Water Company** we are asking our customers to help get us through this period by adopting a number of water conservation practices during this extremely dry period. **Our goal is to reduce our water consumption by an additional 20%.** While this request is for voluntary action, all residents and businesses are encouraged to help us in order to avoid mandatory restrictions should this dry weather continue. **We anticipate significant cutbacks in our water supply if the dry weather continues. If those cutbacks occur, restrictions on usage for excess water waste along with a moratorium on new water connections would have to be considered.**

There are many things that we can do during our daily activities that could greatly reduce future water restrictions. We have included some of these activities on this flier.

By conserving water now, we will help ensure that there will be enough water available for future generations. Let's work together on the efficient use of this precious resource. If you have any questions, please contact our Water Conservation Coordinator, Wendy Childs at (626) 798-9101 ext 212.

Here are a few tips on how to save water at home:

OUTDOOR WATER SAVINGS:

1. Water your garden & lawn only when needed. Step on your grass. If it springs back when you lift your foot, it doesn't need water.
2. Check your sprinkler system and adjust so only your lawn is watered and not the house, sidewalk or street.
3. Instead of watering your lawn steadily for 30 minutes, water in three 9 minute sessions-with each session 1/2 hour apart.
4. Reduce your watering days to once or twice per week.
5. Fix leaky faucets, plumbing joints, sprinkler heads, spa pumps, & hose bibs immediately.
6. Don't run the hose while washing your car. Use a bucket or a self closing nozzle on the hose for a quick spurt.
7. Use a broom instead of the hose for cleaning driveways, sidewalks & patios.
8. Don't water lawns and landscaping between the hours of 10:00 am and 5:00 pm.
9. Choose a water efficient irrigation system such as a drip irrigation system and smart irrigation controllers.

INDOOR WATER SAVINGS:

1. Install water saving shower heads, flow restrictors or aerators on faucets.
2. Run only full loads in the washing machine & dishwasher.
3. Take 5 minute showers. Get wet, turn water off, soap & scrub & then turn water on to rinse.
4. Avoid unnecessary flushing. Don't use toilets as a wastebasket.
5. Capture tap water. While waiting for hot water to come down the pipes, catch the flow in a water can or bucket to use later on house plants or your garden.
6. Don't let the water run while shaving, washing your face or brushing your teeth.
7. Don't use running water to thaw frozen foods. Defrost overnight in the refrigerator.
8. Minimize the use of kitchen sink disposals; they require a lot of water to operate.
9. Replace old clothes washers & toilets with high efficiency washers & toilets.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ALL WATER CONSERVATION REBATES
AND
MAKE EVERY DROP COUNT!

SAVE WATER SAVE MONEY!!!



High Efficient Clothes Washers



Ultra Low Flush Toilets



SmarTimer Irrigation Controllers



Rotator Nozzles for Pop-up Spray Heads



Turf Removal – Replace Lawn with Drought Tolerant Plants

For additional water-saving tips and rebate information visit these websites: www.bewaterwise.com, www.h2ouse.org and www.socalwatersmart.com