# WATER CONSERVATION UPDATE

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# WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

Water Conservation Kits: To request your kit, please visit: <a href="https://www.cityofmonrovia.org/your-government/public-works/water/water-conservation-kit-interest-form">https://www.cityofmonrovia.org/your-government/public-works/water/water-conservation-kit-interest-form</a>

Sustainable Landscaping Program: This program is available quarterly for residents to incorporate drought tolerant landscaping to conserve water. Approved projects receive a \$25 credit on their water bill

Water Home Smart Program in Partnership with Upper District: To find if you qualify and apply, go to <a href="Ecotechservices.net/wshp">Ecotechservices.net/wshp</a>
Rebates from the City of Monrovia and Metropolitan Water District

The City of Monrovia is teaming with Upper District and Metropolitan Water District to provide incentives for commercial and resident water savings projects:

- Rebates will be available for the following items:
  - Premium High-Efficiency Toilet (PHET) 4 Liter (single-family)
  - High Efficiency Clothes Washer (HECW)
  - Rotating Sprinkler Nozzles
  - Turf Removal (qualified projects)
    - Residential
    - Commercial
  - Weather Based Irrigation Controller (WBIC)
  - Flow Monitoring Devices



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Did you know use of mulch can reduce can reduce water use by 20%! It also:

- Protects plants from drought stress
- Reduces soil erosion, and
- Provides additional nutrients that promote plant growth!

RSVP for this event by calling (626) 932-5575 or emailing <a href="mailto:pwcomments@ci.monrovia.ca.us">pwcomments@ci.monrovia.ca.us</a>

Upcoming Classes:

9/9/21 – CA Friendly Native Plant Landscape Webinar Class is 5 pm – 6 pm

- All virtual classes are free, registration is required
- More information is available at <u>BeWaterWise.com/classes</u>





## **NEXT STEPS**

- Enhanced outreach and education of water conservation tips and information available through:
  - City Manager Weekly Update
  - Monrovia Today
  - MAP Neighborhood Block Parties
  - Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District Virtual Events
  - BeWaterWise.com
  - City of Monrovia Social Media

#### New Programs:

- The City is looking into a pilot programs:
  - Automated Meter Reading
  - Advanced Metering Infrastructure
  - Flow Monitoring Devices









## SHOULD THE GOVERNOR DECLARE A DROUGHT

#### THE CITY IS PREPARED TO MANDATE A PHASE I-IV PLAN

Most recently, in 2015, the Phase IV Water Conservation Plan was adopted, regulations to water usage go as follows:

- Outdoor watering should only be about once per week (no more than every fourth day)
- Please do not water for more than 15 minutes per landscaped area.
- Watering should only take place before 8:00 AM or after 6:00 PM.
- Please do not allow water to run off to landscaped areas onto adjoining streets, sidewalks, or other paved areas due to incorrectly
  directed or maintained sprinklers to result in excessive watering.
- Please do not irrigate any landscaping within 48 hours of measurable rainfall or during high winds.
- Please do not hose to wash any sidewalk, walkway, driveway, parking area or other paved surface, except as required for sanitary purposes, and only with a water broom or similar device or hose equipped with a nozzle or quick relief shutoff valve.
- Washing of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, or other vehicles shall be done only with a hand-held bucket or hose equipped with a
  positive shut-off nozzle.
- Please do not use water to clean, fill or maintain levels in decorative fountains unless the water is part of a recycling (recirculating) system.
- Please promptly repair all leaks from indoor and outdoor plumbing fixtures within 48 hours of discovery.



## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- City of Monrovia Water Conservation Page

  www.cityofmonrovia.org/your-government/public-works/water/waterconservationvation
- Rebate Information Socalwatersmart.com
- Water Wise Tips, California-Friendly Gardening Tutorials and Classes BeWaterWise.com
- Upper District of San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District <u>upperdistrict.org/conservation-programs/</u>
- California Native Plant List www.bewaterwise.com/california-native-plants.html



**QUESTIONS?** 

