



Rancho California Water District

Fall Water News



STAGE 4a DROUGHT

As California’s extreme drought conditions continue, Rancho California Water District (RCWD/District) has now moved into Stage 4a in the District’s Water Shortage Contingency Plan and water budgets have changed. The District is required to reduce water use by 36% in order to conserve not only our depleting groundwater supply, but also our imported water. In the effort to conserve water, reductions were made in domestic, landscape, and commercial water budgets which can be seen below:

Domestic & Landscape Reductions:

- Tier 2 (Outdoor) Water Budgets are decreased by 30%
- Tier 3 (Inefficient) Water Budgets are eliminated

Agricultural & Commercial (CII) Reductions:

- Tier 1 (Efficient) Water Budgets are decreased by 10%

Additional Restrictions:

- No variances of adjustments will be approved for filling swimming pools, establishing or expanding landscape area, leaks not repaired within 48 hours, and existing outdoor water budgets.

As part of the District’s Water Shortage Contingency Plan, any customers who exceed their water budgets will be subject to drought surcharges. This policy became effective July 1, 2015 and will cover the additional costs such as fines, penalties, and water use efficiency programs associated with the drought that are imposed on RCWD.

Know where you stand



Your Water Budget Has Changed!

Are you still within yours? 

The District launched a new drought focused tool on July 1, 2015 for customers to track their daily water use and water budgets. This new tool, called MyWaterTracker, allows customers to log into their District account and see almost real-time how their water use compares to their water budget for the current billing period. This information is updated daily and provides a snapshot of the customer's water use profile. MyWaterTracker will also provide a projection of a customer's use and budget for the remaining days in the budget period.



Community Outreach

One of the District's priorities is participating in events and outreach opportunities in order to discuss with the public the drought and what the District is doing to meet demands. RCWD has planned Community Drought Workshops, public information events, and set up tables at various local Farmer's Markets and Movie events in the Park. In addition, the District sponsors and participates in the annual Susan G. Komen's Race for the Cure. We are continually striving to be transparent in our efforts to reduce and use water efficiently. Our customer's aid in this effort is a top concern which is why we offer rebate programs as well as readily available information on the drought and water efficiency.

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The District's goal is to inform and work with our customers in order to achieve water use efficiency throughout the community.

Jeff D. Armstrong
Interim General Manager

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Community Drought Workshop



Water Efficiency Expo



Susan G. Komen Booth

50th Anniversary

Rancho California Water District celebrated its 50th Anniversary on August 16th, 2015. From its beginning serving a small community, Rancho California Water District has seen its service area grow in to a city with over 12,000 irrigated acres of avocado, grape and citrus crops, over 37,000 residential customers, and nearly 1,611 commercial users, in an area covering over 156 square miles with a population of more than 147,600.

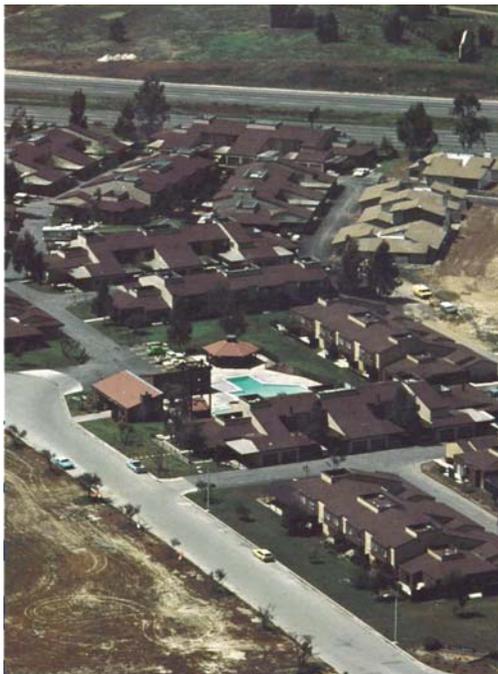
Since our formation in 1965, the District has encountered and overcome challenges while remaining dedicated to providing our customers with dependable high-quality water, wastewater, and reclamation services. Water is our most precious resource, and RCWD will maintain its commitment to conserve our area's unique water resources with the same dedication and sense of purpose as those who founded the District 50 years ago.



First RCWD Building



Current RCWD Headquarters



1985 City Homes



2014 City View



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Efficiency Tips...

1 Aerators

Install aerators on every faucet. This could save as much as 1 gallon every minute you use them.

2 Evaporation

Cover pools and spas to avoid evaporation.

3 Sweep

Sweep your driveways and sidewalks with a broom instead of spraying them off with a hose.

Register Today for the 17th Annual Susan G. Komen Inland Empire Race for the Cure® Sunday, October 18, 2015 at the Promenade Temecula! “The theme for the Komen Inland Empire Race for the Cure® is THERE’S A HERO IN ALL OF US!



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