



OUTDOOR WATER RESTRICTIONS CONTINUE:

- Landscape watering shall be limited and restricted to no more than two (2) days per week. Odd numbered addresses are hereby restricted to watering on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Even numbered addresses are hereby restricted to watering on Wednesdays and Sundays. In San Juan Bautista all addresses are restricted to watering on Mondays and Thursdays only.
- No watering of landscaping between the hours of 9am and 5pm by means other than drip irrigation or hand watering with a quick acting positive shut off nozzle.
- No washing down sidewalks, driveways, or other hardscape surfaces.
- No watering landscape in a manner that causes runoff to adjacent property, non-irrigated areas, private and public walkways, roadways, or parking lots.
- No washing of cars without the use of a quick acting , positive shutoff nozzle.
- No operation of decorative fountains or other water features unless the water is recirculated.

TURN OFF YOUR IRRIGATION SYSTEM WHEN THE RAINY SEASON BEGINS!

California State Climatologist: Do Not Count on El Niño to End Drought!

SACRAMENTO - State Climatologist Michael Anderson issued the following statement on potential El Niño conditions:

“California cannot count on potential El Niño conditions to halt or reverse drought conditions. Historical weather data shows us that at best, there is a 50/50 chance of having a wetter winter. Unfortunately, due to shifting climate patterns, we cannot even be that sure.

Additional background:

The current drought has resulted in observations of new, record-high temperatures and record low snowpack for California. Five of the lowest 10 snowpacks on record have occurred in the last decade, including the past four years. The seasonal snowpack is a key element to California’s water resources management, modulating winter precipitation into spring runoff for beneficial use through the dry summer.

As California heads into a new water year (October 1 to September 30) with a potential fifth year of drought and expectations of El Niño impacts in play during the winter, questions mount on what can be expected of winter temperatures, precipitation and snowpack for California.

Unfortunately, a historical look at past years with similar El Niño conditions as currently forecasted provide little guidance as to what California might expect this winter. Of the seven years since 1950 with similar El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO) signals (1958, 1966, 1973, 1983, 1988, 1992, and 1998) three were wet years, one was average and three were dry (with water year 1992 perpetuating a drought). Past years were cooler than the temperatures we are experiencing now which will impact the rain/snow boundary for any storms that materialize this winter.

That’s why we must remain diligent with our water conservation efforts! With record-breaking heat throughout much of the State in June, Californians continued to conserve water, reducing water use by 27.3 percent and exceeding Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr.’s 25 percent mandate in the first month that the new emergency conservation regulation was in effect. Here locally, our community has been doing even better! See the chart below that compares 2013 water consumption with this year’s (2015):

City of Hollister	Sunnyslope County Water District
May 28% reduction	May 29% reduction
June 29% reduction	June 34% reduction
July 32% reduction	July 42% reduction
Not available at press time	August 32% reduction

KEEP IT UP EVERYONE!

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Representing the City of Hollister, the City of San Juan Bautista, Sunnyslope County Water District, and San Benito County Water District.

WRASBC FREE Services & Rebates:



Turf Removal Rebate

LOCAL FUNDING DEPLETED FOR
TURF REMOVAL REBATE AS OF 8/1/15
STATE FUNDING IS AVAILABLE. GO TO:
SAVEOURWATERREBATES.COM

Landscape Hardware Rebates

The Water Resources Association has rebates on hose timers, rain sensors and MP Rotator irrigation nozzles and sprinkler bodies with pressure regulators. 50% rebate (up to \$100) on qualifying products.



Free Water Wise Landscape Plans

The Water Resources Association has FREE water wise landscape plans. Three different garden design concepts (\$500 value). Installing a water wise garden will save water and money, plus they require less maintenance time.



Home Water Survey (Our most popular service!)

The Survey includes: irrigation check, suggested watering schedule, leak check, showerheads and faucet aerators, high-quality hose nozzle, water softener assistance



Water Softener Assistance and Rebate Program

Have a WRASBC technician inspect and check your water softener to make sure it is set properly for hardness levels. Rebates are available for those customers transitioning to an offsite regeneration service or demolishing their self-regulating water softener that uses salt or potassium. Rebates: \$250-\$300



High Efficiency Clothes Washer Rebates

These washers use half as much water as traditional top loading clothes washers. These machines also use less detergent and help us protect our groundwater supplies. Energy Star ® rated clothes washers qualify. Rebate: \$100

Toilet Program (Free Toilets or Rebates)

Customers that have toilets that are 1992 or older qualify. These older toilets use from 3.5—7 gallons of water for each flush. New toilets flush from 1.28—1.6 gallons per flush. The Water Resources Association has free toilets or a \$75 rebate is available when you purchase your own.



Green Business Certification:

The WRASBC is working together with the San Benito County Chamber of Commerce, San Benito County Integrated Waste Management and PG&E to assist, recognize and promote businesses and government agencies that volunteer to operate in a more environmentally responsible way.



Additional Programs:

A Water Conservation Specialist is available to give presentations at schools, Service Clubs & local community organizations. Learn about the Water Cycle, our local water supply and water issues locally / state-wide. Fieldtrips to the reclamation plant and water treatment plant can also be arranged.

*** Special Rules & Conditions apply, call for details. Rebates are subject to available funds**