

PURISSIMA PIPELINE

Purissima Hills Water District is one of the few agencies in California not required to implement mandatory water rationing. However, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (from whom we purchase our water) is requesting a 10% voluntary reduction. It is imperative that we do all that we can now to help reduce our water use this summer. Below is a list of ways for you to reduce your indoor and outdoor water use. Some of these actions are free and others are incentivized:

- Bathroom and Kitchen Aerators (PHWD Office – Free)
- Shower aerators (PHWD Office – Free)
- Fix leaks (Water Wise House Calls)
- Replace older toilets (Rebate offered)
- Replace washing machines (Rebate offered)
- Improve irrigation (Rebate offered)
- Reduce high water use plantings (Rebate offered)

Below is information you may not have known:

- ❖ You **do not** need to water your lawn or your garden every day even in the summer months
- ❖ **Do not** fertilize in summer, high nitrogen means more water to avoid root burn
- ❖ You **do** need to monitor your watering schedule to ensure appropriate watering

The highest water using plant is turf. If you do have a lawn:

- ❖ Consider reducing the size of what you currently have. There is a rebate available to assist you with this process.
- ❖ Ensure that the irrigation is as efficient as possible and that you are not watering outside of the planting area. Once again, there is a rebate available to assist you with this process.
- ❖ Water as needed and not just on a fixed schedule. Watering 20 minutes at one time is too much for any lawn.

When applying for rebates on toilets, washing machines, irrigation controllers/ hardware, or landscape turf replacement, be sure to contact the Purissima Hills Water District or the Santa Clara Valley Water District **before** you begin. A pre-installation report is required **prior** to any changes. Please contact Alexis Shields at 650/948-1217 or email ashields@purissimawater.org with any questions regarding rebates

LAH TOWN PICNIC

Please be sure to stop by our booth at the LAH Town Picnic on June 7! It is always such a joy to meet our customers and to provide as much information as possible on water use. We will even take a few gardening questions!

PURISSIMA HILLS WATER DISTRICT GARDEN FLYER

Our color garden flyer is complete! Please feel free to stop by our office, pick up a flyer, and peruse our garden! All of the plants are listed on the back of the flyer. We hope you enjoy!

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