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Presentation Item 18



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Monterey Peninsula
Water Conservation
Program Update

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Accomplishments

- MPWMD and California-American Water sponsored a “Laundry to Landscape” training at the District offices on June 25, 2011. The class taught participants how to redirect their clothes washer waste water for landscape irrigation. Another class on this topic will be offered in the Fall.
- MPWMD and California-American Water participated in the annual Pebble Beach Community Services District Open House. Staff answered questions of the public and provided water saving equipment.

Water Waste

Did you know that the following actions are considered Water Waste and can result in a fine?

- Indiscriminate or excessive water use which allows excess water to run to waste. Use water responsibly and don't let it run off site.
- Irrigating your landscaping between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. with a sprinkler or hand-watering without a quick acting Positive Action Shut-Off Nozzle. (Exceptions are made for professional gardeners that are on site).

Free Assistance

Avoid possible Water Waste:

- Positive Action Shut-Off Nozzles are available FREE at the District office and at California American Water
- Other water-saving devices, such as low-flow showerheads and faucet aerators are also available.

Reminder

Outdoor Irrigation = High H₂O Bill

High water bills are caused mostly by irrigation

- Schedule irrigation systems to operate at night on your odd/even watering days
- Check to be sure that irrigation systems are not overwatering or letting water run to waste
- Regularly inspect for leaks and other needed adjustments
- Replace water-thirsty plants and flowers with beautiful drought tolerant varieties

Water Winners

- Take advantage of efficient irrigation technology
 - Soil moisture sensors
 - Rain sensors
 - High efficiency rotator sprinkler nozzles
- Don't just do better, do differently!
 - Remove lawn and replace it with low water use plants or permeable surfaces
 - Install synthetic grass for that “lawn look” (when allowed by the jurisdiction)

Thank you!

Monterey Peninsula
water users are
leaders when it
comes to efficient
water use.

Please continue to
make every drop
count!

Local Water Conservation Information Sources

Local Conservation Information website

www.montereywaterinfo.org

District's website

www.mpwmd.dst.ca.us

California American Water's website

www.amwater.com/caaw

Water Awareness Committee's website

www.waterawareness.org

Water Conservation specialists are also available to answer conservation questions at the District's Conservation and Permit office at (831-658-5601)