

West Basin Municipal Water District Water Efficiency Programs



West Basin seeks to reduce demand on imported water supplies by making conservation and water use efficiency a way of life.

Introduction

Water efficiency and conservation continue to play a critical role in the West Basin water supply portfolio. For more than 30 years, West Basin has utilized progressive, cost-effective programs to help the service area use water wisely. Efficiency is necessary due to reoccurring droughts, uncertain impacts of climate change, and competing demands for water.

Benefits of Saving Water

- Saves money on water and energy bills
- Protects our natural resources
- Conserves drinking water for other uses
- Reduces the need to import water from hundreds of miles away

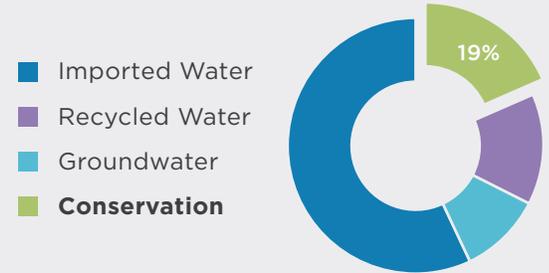
Maximizing Investments

Through partnerships and grants, West Basin provides the community with programs that save water and money. Up to 35% of the District's water use efficiency program budget is funded by federal, state and local sources.



Water Supply Portfolio

Water efficiency and conservation provide 19% of the District's portfolio, with new programs being introduced each year. Data is based on the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan.



Achievements



Nearly 8 billion gallons of drinking water conserved since 1991



More than 330,000 water saving devices distributed or installed since 1991



Nearly 3.5 million square feet of grass removed since 2015



More than 15,000 rain barrels distributed since 2015



Over \$10 million in water-efficiency grants and external funding since 2005

Water Efficiency Programs

West Basin offers a variety of programs to residents, businesses, cities, schools, and other sectors. View list of available programs at westbasin.org/conservation.

Rebate Programs



Grass Replacement: Residential + Commercial

West Basin offers rebates starting at \$3 per square foot of grass removed from service area residential and commercial landscapes



Public Agency: Grass Replacement Rebate

Public agencies removing non-essential grass from public property are eligible for rebates starting at \$4 per square foot of grass removed and free landscape design assistance



Grass Replacement +

West Basin offers a \$5 rebate for every square foot of grass replaced to eligible residents in priority communities. Participants also receive a free drought-tolerant tree and landscape design



Device Rebates

Rebates are available to residential and commercial customers for purchasing indoor and outdoor high-efficiency devices
www.socalwatersmart.com

Devices & Resources



Free Rain Barrels

Rain barrels help residents capture and store rainwater for irrigating outdoor landscapes and gardens. Rain barrels are distributed at in-person events during the fall

Classes and Plants

- Metropolitan offers free virtual classes in landscape design and irrigation principles www.bewaterwise.com
- Visit the West Basin website for access to an online plant pallet library for help selecting plants for your garden
- Stop by a West Basin Ocean Friendly Garden for inspiration; map and catalog online
- Access our archive of past Firescaping and Greywater class info on the web

