



Carpinteria Valley Water District Stage Two Drought Condition Water Use Regulations

On May 13, 2015, the Carpinteria Valley Water District Board of Directors declared a Stage Two Drought Condition and approved Ordinance 15-2 in response to the driest consecutive four years on record. The Stage Two Drought Condition requires a 20% Municipal and Industrial (M&I) reduction in order to comply with the state-wide reduction in overall water use, with mandatory regulations on specific water use applications. The Ordinance regulations are summarized below. For the full text of Ordinance 15-2, please visit cvwd.net.

Water Use Regulations

- Hoses must be equipped with an automatic shut-off nozzle when in use.
- Immediately repair breaks and leaks upon discovery. Repairs not completed within seventy-two (72) hours of detection or notification by the District may result in water service turned off by the District to prevent water loss until the repair is completed
- Manual irrigation of landscape with a hose or movable sprinklers during the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. is prohibited.
- Irrigation through fixed irrigation systems either manual or timer controlled during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. is prohibited, except for testing system or repairing leaks.
- Landscape irrigation is limited to no more than two (2) days per week.
- Irrigation of turf or ornamental landscapes during and forty-eight (48) hours following measurable rainfall is prohibited.
- Irrigation of ornamental turf on public street medians is prohibited.
- Irrigation of landscapes outside newly constructed homes and buildings that is not delivered by drip or micro-spray systems is prohibited.
- Water from landscape irrigation running onto non-irrigated areas such as patios, decks, private and public walkways, driveways, roadways, parking lots or structures is prohibited.
- Using a hose to wash a building, driveway, sidewalk or other paved surface is prohibited unless authorized by CVWD.
- Boats and vehicles shall be washed only at commercial car washing facilities or by use of a bucket and/or hose with a shutoff nozzle.
- Use of water fountains/decorative water features without a recirculating system is prohibited.
- Pools may be drained and refilled up to one third of the volume of a pool per year unless authorized by CVWD.

Commercial Water Use Regulations

- Restaurants and other eating establishments must post, in a conspicuous place, a Notice of Drought Condition and serve water only on request.
- Hotels, motels and other commercial lodging establishments must post in each room a notice of drought conditions containing water conservation information and actions.
- Gyms, pools and other businesses providing showers must post drought notices and promote limitation of shower use.

Violation and Enforcement Process

- **First Violation:** Written Warning
- **Second Violation:** \$25 fine
- **Third Violation:** \$100 fine
- **Subsequent Violations:** \$100 fine with a limit up to \$500 for each day of violation