CITY MANDATED WATER USE RESTRICTIONS

The State’s latest Emergency Regulations require a mandatory 20% reduction in potable water use for the City’s water users, from June 2015 through February 2016. The City urges everyone to reduce water use, particularly non-essential outdoor irrigation, by putting into action the City’s Water Use Restrictions provided below.

### Landscape Irrigation
- Irrigation with potable water is only permitted as follows:
  - **Watering Hours:** Between 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. PST
  - **Watering Duration:** No more than 6 minutes per station
  - **Watering Days:**
    - May to Sept.: No more than 3 days per week
    - Oct. to April: No more than 2 days per week
    - Street addresses ending in even numbers: Tuesdays, Thursdays, and/or Saturdays
    - Street addresses ending in odd numbers: Mondays, Wednesdays, and/or Fridays
- Exceptions: Watering hours of 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. PST may be exceeded when a hand-held watering container or drip irrigation system is used, or for the sole purpose of adjusting or repairing an irrigation system
- **Irrigation Runoff:** Irrigation runoff from incorrectly directed or maintained sprinklers, or excessive watering is prohibited
- **Irrigation During Rainfall:** No potable water landscape irrigation during and within 48 hours after rainfall

### Exterior Washing
- **Buildings, Facilities, and Motor Vehicles:** Washing with potable water is prohibited except by use of a handheld bucket or hose equipped with a positive shut-off nozzle
- **Hardscape:** No wash down of sidewalks, driveways, parking areas, patios, or other hardscape areas except to alleviate fire, sanitation, or health hazards

### Ornamental and Recreational Use
- **Swimming Pools and Spas:** Filling/refilling is discouraged and only permitted between 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. PST
- **Decorative Water Features:** Use of potable water in decorative fountains and features (i.e. ponds) is prohibited except when recirculating systems are used

### Indoor and Other Use
- **Eating and Drinking Establishments:** No serving of water unless requested
- **Hotels/Motels:** Provide guests the option of choosing not to have towels and linens laundered daily and shall display notice of this option in each room
- **Leaks:** Repair as soon as discovered and not later than 48-hours after finding

### Compliance and Enforcement
- The state has made non-compliance an infraction punishable by a fine up to $500 per day

### Water Conservation Tips, Rebates, and Additional Information?
Please visit us at [www.downeyca.org](http://www.downeyca.org) and click on the Water Conservation caption under the rotating slides for information on water rebates and tips. For other questions, please call the Public Works Utilities Division at 562-904-7202.