

## Reduced Number of Water Permits Issued

In 1999, a total of 879 water permits were issued for projects throughout the District, which was 10 percent less than the number of permits issued in 1998.

## 42 Acre-Feet Remaining for New Construction or Remodels in Cal-Am Area

Water permits issued for projects within the Cal-Am service area totaled 765, representing 13 acre-feet of projected annual water use. At the end of 1999, approximately 42 acre-feet of water from the 1993 Paralta allocation remained for new construction and remodel projects within the Cal-Am service area. Most of this water has been reserved by the jurisdictions for projects that are awaiting final planning department approval.

No additional water will be allocated to the jurisdictions for water permits until Cal-Am's water production shortfall identified in State Order 95-10 is satisfied.



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## 114 Permits Issued for Projects not Served by Cal-Am

New construction is occurring, especially in the hillsides of Carmel Valley, along Highway 68, and along the coastline in Seaside and Sand City. Water for the construction in these areas comes from sources that are outside of the Cal-Am system. Water companies whose source of water is not derived from the Carmel River are not subject to Order 95-10. A total of 114 water permits were issued for projects in these areas, representing 32 acre-feet of projected annual water use.

## Retrofit Programs

### Toilet Retrofit Programs Encourage Conservation

The District's three toilet retrofit programs are an integral part of its long-term conservation plan. Water saved by retrofitting toilets is set aside as permanent conservation savings to meet the Board's 1987 goal of achieving a 15 percent reduction in water use by the year 2020.

### Refunds Offered for Replacement of Inefficient Toilets

The Toilet Replacement Refund Program jointly funded by the District and Cal-Am, offers up to \$100 for each inefficient toilet replaced

with an ultra low-flush model in a residential or commercial building. Commercial projects can receive the refund for up to 20 toilets per property. In 1999, refunds were issued for replacement of 834 toilets under this program. The District estimates that these retrofits represent approximately 19 acre-feet of water savings.

### Toilets Must be Retrofitted Upon Resale of Property

When a property is sold, staff inspects the building to make sure that inefficient plumbing fixtures have been replaced with ultra low-flush models. In 1999, approximately 2,095 properties transferred title within the District and staff inspected over 1,336 of them for compliance with retrofit rules. The District estimates that approximately 63 acre-feet of water were saved through the replacement of about 2,740 toilets under this program in 1999.

*The requirement to retrofit upon resale resulted in the replacement of about 2,740 toilets, saving about 63 acre-feet of water in 1999.*



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