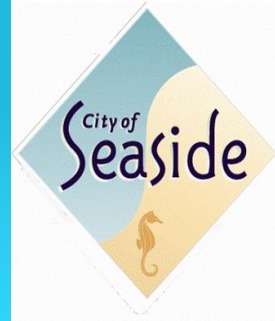


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# Presentation Item 5



## Water Conservation Program Update

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# What's New

Things to think about:

1. Fall weather = Turn it off and upgrade
2. Exciting news about the Rebate Program!

# Turn It Off



## TURN IT OFF

- Irrigation systems can usually be shut off between now and late April
  - Water by hand and only when plants are visibly thirsty
  - Take advantage of wetter/cooler months to upgrade your irrigation system
- Overwatering causes root rot and does not help the health of the plant
- Don't let your irrigation system cost you

# Water Winners

Now is a great time to:

- Install a rainwater harvesting system
- Install a graywater irrigation system
- Redo your landscape and add stormwater catchment basins
- Upgrade your irrigation system
  - Install a smart irrigation system controller and high efficiency sprinkler nozzles
  - Remove your lawn and replace with low water use plants or permeable surfaces

# Resources

## Regional web resources:

- Graywater & Rainwater Harvesting brochure available
- Rainwater Catchment: Water Awareness Committee of Monterey County – <http://rainwater.waterawareness.org>
- Greywater Reuse: Ecology Action's Central Coast Graywater Alliance – <http://greywater.EcoAct.org>

# Rebate Update

- Rebates for customers of California American Water are now available!
- [www.MontereyWaterInfo.org](http://www.MontereyWaterInfo.org)
  - Download and print application
  - Online application (COMING SOON)
  - List of qualifying devices, process, and terms and conditions
- Extensive rebates for indoor, outdoor, residential and commercial water saving devices

# Free Assistance

We can help you:

- Water-saving devices, such as low-flow showerheads, faucet aerators, and toilet leak detectors are available at the District and Cal-Am offices
- Cal-Am offers FREE Water Wise House Calls. Call 646-3205 to schedule one today! Find out how you can save water in your home
- MPWMD is available to talk to your organization or homeowner's association about local water-related subjects



# Local Water Conservation Information Sources

MPWMD and Cal-Am Conservation website

[www.montereywaterinfo.org](http://www.montereywaterinfo.org)

Water Awareness Committee website

[www.waterawareness.org](http://www.waterawareness.org)

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