

Adopted on June 19, 2012 - Effective on July 19, 2012

ORDINANCE NO. 153

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE

MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT INCREASING THE REBATE FOR CISTERNS AND AMENDING DEFINITIONS

FINDINGS

- 1. The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District was created to address ground and surface water resources in the Monterey Peninsula area, which the Legislature found required integrated management, and was endowed with the powers set forth in the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Law (Chapter 527 of the Statutes of 1977, found at West's Water Code, Appendix, Section 118-1, et seq.).
- 2. The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has adopted and regularly implements water conservation and efficiency measures which, inter alia, sets standards for the installation of plumbing fixtures in New Construction, and requires retrofit or replacement of existing plumbing fixtures upon Change of Ownership, Change of Use, and Expansion of Use, and for existing Non-Residential uses. The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has general and specific power to cause and implement water conservation activities as set forth in Sections 325 and 328 of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Law.
- 3. The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has found and determined that it is in the best interests of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and its inhabitants to define, implement and enforce water efficient plumbing standards and requirements for the conservation of Potable water supplies. Retrofit or replacement of existing plumbing fixtures shall lessen consumption of the limited water resources available on the Monterey Peninsula. Installation of water efficient plumbing fixtures reduces the burden of new, expanded or modified uses on the water resources.
- 4. The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has determined that the water conservation and efficiency standards and requirements benefit the public good by increasing the supply of Potable water available for use and by reducing existing demand for Potable water. The reduction in demand will reduce production impacts upon the environment.
- 5. The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District approved a Rebate Program when it adopted the Action Plan for Water Supply Alternatives in February 1996. The Action

- Plan addressed the need for water supply projects to meet the water supply needs of the Monterey Peninsula following voter rejection of District financing for the New Los Padres Water Supply Project in November 1995.
- 6. California State Water Resource Control Board (SWRCB) Order No. WR 95-10, issued in July 1995, ruled that California American Water did not have a legal right to take approximately 69 percent of the water supplied to California American Water users at that time. The SWRCB has set specific goals to reduce water diversions from the Carmel River Basin.
- 7. Under SWRCB Order No. WR 95-10, California American Water was ordered to reduce its historical diversion from the Carmel River Basin by 20 percent beginning with Water Year 1997 and in each subsequent year. Further cutbacks were ordered beginning in 2010.
- 8. California American Water v. City of Seaside, et al, Case No. M66343, resulted in a decision which determined the initial Operating Safe Yield for the Seaside Basin is 5,600 Acre-Feet (Coastal Subarea is 4,611 Acre-Feet and 989 Acre-Feet for the Laguna Seca Subarea). "Operating Safe Yield" is the maximum amount of Groundwater resulting from Natural Replenishment which can be produced from each Subarea for a finite period of years as these terms are defined in the decision. Water conservation is a component to achieving Operating Safe Yield and will require reductions in use in the future.
- 9. A Cease and Desist Order (CDO) against California American Water was issued in October 2009 by the SWRCB as Order No. WR 2009-0060. The CDO prescribes a series of significant cutbacks to California American Water's pumping from the Carmel River from 2010 through December 2016. Cal-Am customers may be subject to water rationing, a moratorium on Water Permits for new construction and remodels, and fines if pumping limits are exceeded.
- 10. This ordinance amends definitions for Recycled Water, Showerhead, Shower, Each Additional Fixture, High Efficiency Toilet, and Urinal.
- 11. As requested by the Water Demand Committee on September 29, 2011, this ordinance increases the Cistern Rebate incentive by adding a higher rebate tier for the first 500 gallons of storage capacity. Due to limited funding, this ordinance restricts Cistern Rebates to Sites supplied with water from the Monterey Peninsula Water Resource System.
- 12. This ordinance is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). An Initial Study and Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration was prepared and filed with the Monterey County Clerk on May 14, 2012. A Negative Declaration was adopted by the Board upon second reading.

NOW THEREFORE be it ordained as follows:

ORDINANCE

Section One: Short Title

This ordinance shall be known as the **Rebate Increase for Cisterns Ordinance** of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District.

Section Two: Statement of Purpose

The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District enacts this ordinance to amend definitions and enacts an increased Rebate for the first 500 gallons of Cistern storage capacity.

Section Three: Definitions

Rule 11, Definitions, shall be amended as shown in bold italics (*bold italics*) and strikethrough (strikethrough).

RECYCLED WATER – "Recycled Water" shall mean water that originates from a Subpotable Source of Supply such as wastewater treated to the tertiary level. or captured rainwater

SHOWERHEAD - "Showerhead" shall mean a fixture in which water is sprayed *or flows* on the bather in fine streams from a Showerhead, usually secured overhead.

SHOWER, EACH ADDITIONAL FIXTURE - "Shower, Each Additional Fixture" shall mean the second and any additional Showerhead, Rain Bar, or Body Spray Nozzles, installed above a bathtub or in a Shower, Separate Stall with the exception of one handheld Showerhead that operates on a diverter that shifts no less than 100 percent of the flow to the hand-held Showerhead when the diverter is engaged.

ULTRA HIGH EFFICIENCY TOILET – "Ultra High Efficiency Toilet" or "UHET" shall mean a toilet that is designed and manufactured to flush with less than 1.0 a maximum of 0.8 gallon of water and that is labeled by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's WaterSense program. An Ultra High Efficiency Toilet shall have a maximum average flush of less than 1.0 gallon.

URINAL - "Urinal" shall mean a fixture, typically attached upright to a wall, used by men for urinating. *Urinal shall refer to both the bowl and the valve.*

Section Four: Amendment of Rule 141, Water Conservation Rebates

Rule 141-B-9 shall be amended as shown in bold italics (bold italics) and strikethrough (strikethrough).

The Rebate for Cistern water tanks installed on Sites supplied with water from the Monterey Peninsula Water Resource System shall be \$50 per 100 gallons for the first 500 gallons and \$25 per 100 gallons of water storage capacity to a maximum storage capacity of 25,000 gallons per Qualifying Property.

Section Five: Publication and Application

The provisions of this ordinance shall cause the amendment and republication of Rules 11 and 141 of the permanent Rules and Regulations of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District.

Section Six: Effective Date and Sunset

This ordinance shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the 30th day following adoption.

This Ordinance shall not have a sunset date.

Section Seven: Severability

If any subdivision, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforcement of the remaining portions of this ordinance, or of any other provisions of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Rules and Regulations. It is the District's express intent that each remaining portion would have been adopted irrespective of the fact that one or more subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid or unenforceable.

On motion of Director Markey, and second by Director Byrne, the foregoing ordinance is adopted upon this 19th day of June, 2012, by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors Markey, Byrne, Brower, Lehman and Pendergrass

NAYS:

Director Potter

ABSENT:

Director Lewis

I, David J. Stoldt, Secretary to the Board of Directors of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, hereby certify the foregoing ordinance was duly adopted on the 19th day of June, 2012.

Witness my hand and seal of the Board of Directors this 22 day of August, 2012.

David J. Stoldt, Secretary to the Board

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COPY CERTIFICATION

I, David J. Stoldt, Secretary to the Board of Directors of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 153 duly adopted on the 19th of June, 2012.

David J. Stoldt, Secretary to the Board

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Date