

ORDINANCE NO. 189

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 189, AN ORDINANCE OF THE MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS CLARIFYING AND AMENDING RULES RELATED TO DEFINITIONS (RULE 11), WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS (RULE 21), WATER PERMITS (RULES 23 AND 24), WATER USE CREDITS (RULE 25.5), AND REBATES (RULE 141); DELETING RULE 91 (SHORT TERM VARIANCE); AND REVISING THE TITLE OF REGULATION XV

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11-15-2021

ORDINANCE NO. 189 SUMMARY

- “High Efficiency Clothes Washer” and “High Efficiency Dishwasher” definitions amended to match the Energy Star water efficiency requirements
- “Public Water System” defined and Rule 21 amended to require State Division of Drinking Water preliminary approval prior to District consideration of a Water Distribution System Permit
- “Smart Flowmeter” defined to facilitate the addition of a new rebate
- Rules related to the processing of Water Permits for tenant improvements, submetering, and reporting requirements clarified

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- Permanent submetering allowed in apartment and condo buildings. Submetering technology allows for individual User accountability, reporting, and billing to promote conservation
- “Water Permit waiver” codified
- Swimming Pools filled with trucked water must be from licensed Water Hauler. Small Potable system deduction required for maintenance.
- Addresses process for relocating a Clothes Washer into an existing Dwelling Unit when there has been/is a Common Laundry Room serving the unit
- Disallows credit or reduced Water Use Capacity for locating/relocating a component of a business to an out-of-District location or to another Water Distribution System. For example, no credit would be granted for doing laundry at another location

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- Deletes Rule 91, Short Term Variance
- Adds replacement rebate for High Efficiency Dishwashers and Ultra-High Efficiency Toilets when they are replaced at least ten years after the initial Rebate
- High Efficiency Toilet rebate reduced from \$75 to \$50
- New rebate for Smart Flowmeters

SMART FLOWMETER REBATE

- Smart Flowmeters report water use and send customizable alerts through a convenient web portal or mobile app.
- Customers can see their water use down to a fraction of a gallon and usage as frequently as every minute, keeping you informed of overall water use, potential high water use, or suspected leaks
- Rebate will encourage the use of these flow measuring devices and is supported by California American Water
- Internet-connected or cellular-connected remote flow sensing technologies
 - Can be attached to main water supply line at or near the meter
 - Can be attached to water supply line at home or irrigation system
 - Some can shut off water supply when leak is detected
- Smart Flowmeters cost between \$150-\$700 and may include an annual subscription to the service
- Rebate will be up to \$200/device (Resolution 2021-16)

RECOMMENDATION

- Water Demand Committee reviewed and supported the proposed ordinance at its October 7, 2021, meeting
- The Board should receive public comment
- Approve first reading of Ordinance No. 189
 - Second reading December 15, 2021
 - Effective January 1, 2022