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O'Connor Water Company Water Conservation Regulations

While recent storms have helped ease drought impacts, regions and communities across the state continue to experience water supply shortages, especially communities that rely on groundwater supplies that have been severely depleted in recent years.

This update reflects the Board's ongoing compliance with State-mandated regulations and stewardship of our water source.

The emergency drought proclamation and emergency water conservation regulations are still in effect: Governor Newsom's March 24, 2023, Executive Order ([N-5-23](#)), which reduced emergency drought requirements, does not immediately terminate current State Water Board (Board) water conservation emergency regulations.

For all Californians, prohibition on wasteful water uses remains in effect. The State's long-term goal is to make conservation a California way of life, regardless of the weather:

- Limit irrigation* to no more than two days a week. Do not allow runoff onto hard surfaces.
- Irrigate only* between 6 p.m. and 10 a.m.
- Do not wash hard surfaces such as driveways or sidewalks, except when necessary to address immediate health or safety concerns. We recommend using a broom to clean hard surfaces.
- Use only a hose fitted with a shut-off nozzle to wash a motor vehicle.
- Do not water during or within 48 hours after measurable precipitation.
- Repair broken or defective plumbing or irrigation systems promptly.
- Cover swimming pools, spas, and hot tubs when not in use.
- Use common sense: consolidate laundry and dishwasher loads; don't let the faucet run while shaving or brushing your teeth.

If there is sediment in the lines because of a repair or flushing, you should run the water from the tap or hose bib until it is clear, as this is necessary for health and safety.

If O'Connor Water receives a report of water waste at your property, you will be contacted to correct the problem and given information on proper conservation practices to protect our precious water resources.

To report water waste, call 650-321-2723 or email oconnorwater@gmail.com. For more information on how to save water visit our website at www.oconnorwater.org.

*Note: Irrigation includes manual or automatic sprinklers, soaker hoses, or any running hose on the ground. You may hand water (using a hose with a shut-off nozzle) and use drip irrigation at other times as long as there is no runoff.