



Valley water supplies remain stable, 50 counties under emergency order

As of Aug. 1, 50 counties in California are under drought emergency orders. Riverside County is not under order.

Governor Newsom has asked all residents to voluntarily cut water use by 15 percent compared to last year. While water supplies remain sufficient in the Coachella Valley, CVWD is encouraging residents to continue to use water efficiently.

How to continue water efficient practices

CVWD customers have done a great job in saving water since previous drought conditions in 2015. Though the most recent data shows that usage has gone up in the past year, which could be a result of the pandemic and drier conditions.

Here are some ways to keep up the good work.

The most common causes of water waste in the Coachella Valley are over watering and leaks.

- Reduce outdoor water use by eliminating water waste.
- Apply for a conservation rebate. See other side of this page for more details.
- Be a role model and convert your yard into a water-efficient landscape.
- Avoid watering during daylight hours, except when overseeding or for maintenance.
- Use CVWD's irrigation guide available at cvwd.org/conservation under "Tips for Residents." Or install a weather-based irrigation controller.
- Regularly run your irrigation system while you are home and watch each cycle to find any problems such as leaks or broken sprinkler heads.
- Adjust the sprinkler nozzle radius. Sometimes the radius of a sprinkler head is too large, causing water to overspray onto the sidewalk. You can reduce the spray pattern by turning the adjustment screw on top of the head. If the coverage is still too large, you will need to replace the nozzle with a smaller throw radius.

What CVWD is doing to keep water supplies stable

Water supplies remain stable in the Coachella Valley thanks to CVWD's active participation in the following long-term water management planning efforts:

- Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)

SGMA creates a framework for sustainable, local groundwater management for the first time in California history. CVWD is actively participating in the SGMA compliance effort for the Indio and Mission Creek Subbasins of the Coachella Valley.

- Integrated Regional Water Management Planning

Local water agencies work together to implement the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan to address the water resource planning needs of the Coachella Valley.

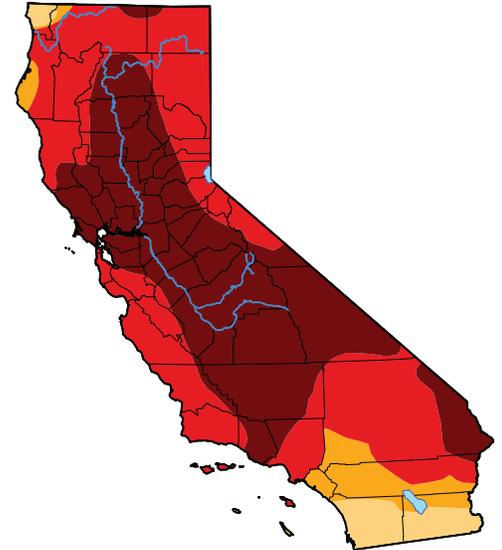
- Urban Water Management Planning

The Urban Water Management Plan is updated every five years to ensure adequate water supplies are available to meet existing and future water needs.

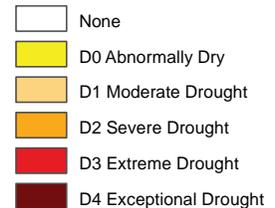
Long-term water management planning includes:

- Water demand projections
- 5-year drought risk assessment
- Drought contingency plan
- Seismic risk assessment
- Climate Change assessment

U.S. Drought Monitor California



Intensity:



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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Visit cvwd.org/drought for updates. Information can change quickly.

Apply for conservation rebates & discounts

Designed to help homeowners, businesses and homeowner associations (HOAs) reduce their outdoor water use



Smart Irrigation Controllers

Residential customers can apply for free smart controllers. HOA and commercial customers can receive a refund of 75% of the controller cost, up to \$10,000 per project.

Landscape Conversion

Residential customers can receive \$2 per square foot of turf removed, up to 10,000 square feet per program year (July 1-June 30).

HOA and commercial customers can receive \$2 per square foot of turf removed, up to 25,000 square feet per project.

Nozzle Replacement

Residential, HOA and commercial customers may be eligible for a rebate of up to \$4 for each high-efficiency rotary nozzle installed, to replace less efficient, traditional fixed or adjustable arc spray nozzles.

Irrigation Upgrade

HOA and commercial customers may receive rebates for replacing overhead spray heads, adjustable bubblers, emitters with subsurface/in-line drip tubing and non-adjustable, pressure compensating bubblers and emitters. The rebate pays 50 cents per square foot of converted irrigated area.



Visit cvwd.org/rebates for program details, eligibility requirements or to apply for rebates online. Some programs require pre-approval.

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PAPER TOWELS



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MEDICATIONS



CVWD increases customer assistance program

CVWD's customer assistance program now offers eligible residential customers a \$150 credit on their water bill once in a 12-month period. Customers may reapply each year.

Customers who need help paying their water bill can apply through United Way of the Desert by calling (760) 323-2731 or visit unitedwayofthedesert.org/help2others. United Way screens eligible customers and provides them with assistance in paying a past due water bill.

Charitable donations are also accepted through United Way. Donations must be made directly to United Way of the Desert. All donations are tax-deductible.



Board Meetings

Board meetings are open to the public and are generally held at 8 a.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

Meetings alternate between the Steve Robbins Administration Building in Palm Desert and the Coachella Office.

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