



JUNE INFORMATION SHEET

Presented by the Rosamond Community Services District for their valued customers. If you would like more information, or have suggestions for future information sheets, please let us know by calling 661-256-3411.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR OUR CUSTOMERS

Frequently asked questions about state mandated water restrictions

We've been seeing and hearing a lot of questions in our meetings, on social media and in our office about the state mandated water restrictions. We'd like to take a moment to answer some of these questions.

If you have additional questions, please call or visit our office.

Where did the various stages of water restrictions come from?

RCSD was instructed by the state, as was every water agency, to create water conservation plans in the event they were needed in times of drought.

Can I see the full text of the stage 3 water restrictions?

Yes. A digital copy is available on our website, RosamondCSD.com. The link is in the yellow banner across the top of the page. You can also see a copy of it at our office.

Are the state mandated water restrictions in effect now?

Yes. They were put into effect through a unanimous vote by the RCSD Board of Directors at their regular, public meeting on Wednesday, May 13, 2015.

Are the water restrictions being enforced?

Yes. At the end of May, RCSD had issued over 200 notices to customers about water waste.

What happens if our community does not enact or follow the water restrictions?

The state is issuing fines of \$10,000 dollars a day for water agencies that do not enact tighter water restrictions.

The state has also approved fining individuals not complying with water restrictions up to \$500 a day. We hope to not be forced to use this fine in our community.

I heard that RCSD has over a year of water stored for our use. If we have this water stored, why are new water restrictions being enacted?

It is true the RCSD has approximately 18 months of water stored in our water bank. However, the water restrictions are being enacted due to state mandate. The state's mandate to enact water restrictions was made regardless of previous conservation efforts or community water storage.

What happens if a water leak is reported on my property?

RCSD workers will come out to visit you if a leak is observed or reported on your property. If you are at home, they will advise you of the leak so you can fix it. If you are not at home and the leak is still occurring, they will turn off the water at the meter and leave a notice of the leak. This is not a punitive action. It is done to help you save money and conserve water by stopping the waste of water.

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June 24 - 7:00pm
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NEW STATE MANDATED WATER RESTRICTIONS

Expanded water restrictions

As the historic drought continues to affect California, our state government is continuing conservation efforts in the form of new water use regulations. These regulations are state mandated and come with state enforced fines and penalties.

As a community, Rosamond has done a good job reducing water use. We have already met the Governor's request for a 20% reduction by 2020. However, since the implementation of Stage 2 water restrictions last year we have only reduced water use by 5%. The state is mandating that we reduce an additional 28% and has expanded state-wide water restrictions (see right).

RCSD remains committed to helping our community conserve water while not being the "water police." Our team of professionals are here to help residents identify leaks so they can be fixed.

If you need help finding ways to conserve, please contact us today. We look forward to hearing from you and working through this drought, together.

Stage 3 Restrictions at a Glance

- **No watering of lawns, ground cover and landscaping will be allowed between the hours of 6:00 am and 6:00 pm on the days you are allowed to water.**
- **Even number addresses may water Sunday and Thursday.**
- **Odd number addresses may water Saturday and Wednesday.**
- **No watering on Monday, Tuesday or Friday.**
- **Gray water can be used to water on any day of the week, but must follow the Kern County Department of Public Health guidelines.**
- **Vehicles and equipment can only be washed Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. using a handheld bucket or automatic shutoff hose nozzle. (Use of commercial car washes is encouraged)**
- **No overfilling of pools or spas.**
- **No filling or refilling of ponds, streams or artificial lakes.**
- **No water use in ornamental fountains or water features, except for short periods of time to prevent damage.**
- **Leaks and overflow should be fixed and adjusted quickly.**
- **No watering that causes overflow or runoff (flowing over the sidewalk, etc.).**

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