

Press Release



Central Basin
Municipal Water District

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POINT, CLICK FOR WATER CONSERVATION TIPS FROM CENTRAL BASIN

COMMERCE, CA—Central Basin Municipal Water District makes it easy for local residents and business owners to conserve water year-round with its new water conservation website www.shutyourtap.org.

Visit shutyourtap.org for tips on maintaining a low-water garden and cutting back on water waste inside and outside the home or office. Check back regularly for important drought updates from the Metropolitan Water District and rebates on water-smart, energy-efficient appliances.

Some of the tips available online include:

- Check sprinkler system valves periodically for leaks. Keep sprinkler heads in good repair.
- Avoid sprinklers that spray a fine mist, which increases evaporation.
- Make sure your sprinkler is placed so it only waters the lawn, not the pavement.
- Use a broom on driveways, sidewalks and patios instead of washing them down with a hose—save as much as 150 gallons per use.
- When taking your car to a car wash, be sure it's one that recycles its wash water. If you wash your car at home, don't leave the hose running; use a nozzle with an automatic shut off and save 10 gallons per minute.
- When staying at a hotel, indicate to housekeeping that you prefer to keep your linens and towels for multiple nights and that you will call housekeeping when you do need laundry service.
- Take a look at how water is used at your workplace and consider suggesting some of these same ideas to management.

Also available at shutyourtap.org is a calendar of water conservation events, including the District's *Gardening with Blue* and *Jardinería con Azul* workshops.

About Central Basin: Central Basin is a public agency that wholesales imported water to cities, mutual

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water companies, investor-owned utilities and private companies in Southeast Los Angeles County, serving a population of more than 2 million. In addition, Central Basin provides the region with recycled water for municipal, commercial and industrial uses. Formed in 1952, Central Basin is committed to ensuring a safe and reliable water supply for the region. For more information, visit www.centralbasin.org.

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