## WATER CONSERVATION

Water restrictions that went into effect on October 1, 2022 expired on June 30, 2023. However, the State Water Resources Control Board has readopted two emergency regulations that prohibit certain wasteful water use practices statewide and encourage Californians to use water wisely and *make conservation a way of life*.

To limit evaporation, VVCSD recommends irrigating before 10:00 a.m. and after 4:00 p.m.

Until **December 2023**, the State Water Board prohibits:

- 1. Outdoor watering that lets water run onto sidewalks and other areas (except incidental runoff).
- 2. Washing vehicles without an automatic shutoff nozzle.
- 3. Washing hard surfaces like driveways or sidewalks that don't absorb water.
- 4. Street cleaning or construction site preparation.
- 5. Filling decorative fountains, lakes, or ponds without a recirculation pump.
- 6. Outdoor watering within 48 hours after at least 1/4 inch of rainfall.
- 7. Watering decorative grass on public medians.

Until **June 2024**, the State Water Board prohibits watering decorative grass in commercial, industrial, and institutional areas, including common areas of homeowners' associations (HOAs). For more information, visit <u>https://bit.ly/3rGavPv</u>.

Enforcement:

- 1. VVCSD Ordinance § 2.3.2.3. allows the District to discontinue water service, after 48-hours notice, to any premises practicing negligent or wasteful use of water.
- 2. The State Water Resources Control Board may impose a fine of \$500 per day.

For more information, visit the State Water Resources Control Board Emergency Water Conservation Portal at <u>https://bit.ly/3cWN79t</u>

To find out how you can qualify for rebates or receive free water-saving devices, please visit <u>https://bit.ly/3x6p9Q5</u>, call us at (805) 733-2475, or stop by our office at 3745 Constellation Road.

Vandenberg Village Community Services District is proud to promote a conservation ethic with rebates, grants, and FREE water conservation devices.



