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# Summer is upon us! Stay water savvy and budget conscious with these tips from EMWD.



During the month of July, EMWD joins water agencies across the nation to promote Smart Irrigation Month and help customers to be more efficient with outdoor water use.

Outdoor water use accounts for more than 60 percent of all of the water used throughout EMWD's service area. EMWD encourages you to maintain your water use efficiency habits and stay budget conscious, saving water and minimizing water bill increases.

EMWD offers a number of rebates to assist customers in using water as efficiently as possible. These rebate opportunities include weather-based irrigation controllers, rotating sprinkler nozzles, drip retrofit kits and much more.

For more rebate information, visit emwd.org/Rebates.

### - SUMMER TIP -

Apply 3 to 4 inches of mulch over exposed soil to save water and prevent weed growth.



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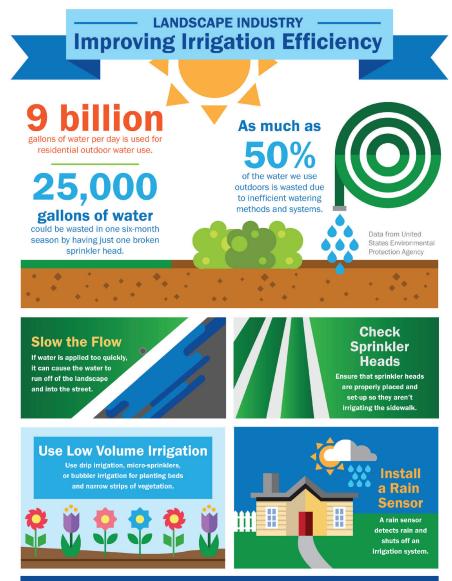
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For Residential Customers: FREE Home Survey Finds Opportunities for Both Water and Money Savings

EMWD offers a FREE Home Water Survey for residential customers who are having trouble staying within their water budget. This is a comprehensive 45-minute indoor/outdoor survey designed to help check for leaks, provide a recommended irrigation schedule, check your irrigation system for inefficiencies and provide customers with rebate information on water efficient kits and devices.

To schedule your FREE Home Water Survey, email info@waterwise-consulting.com. You may also contact EMWD's Conservation department at 951.928.3777, ext. 3322, or visit emwd.org/Rebates.







Smart Irrigation Month is an Irrigation Association initiative to increase awareness of the value of water use ... and grow demand for water-saving products, practices and services.

For more great resources, visit: www.smartirrigationmonth.com

# Inland Empire Landscape Contest Recognizes Water Efficient Landscapes Throughout the Region

During the months of April and May, EMWD—along with a number of other water agencies throughout the region promoted the 2018 Inland Empire Landscape Contest. The biennial contest gives residents the opportunity to submit their water efficient landscapes for recognition, with a chance to win a grand prize of \$1,000.

The Landscape Contest received more than 320 entries, with more than half of the entries comprised of homeowners throughout EMWD's service area. The grand prize went to a homeowner located in Riverside, who is serviced by Western Municipal Water District, and two landscapes tied for second place—a homeowner located in Temecula, serviced by Rancho California Water District, and a homeowner located in Riverside who is serviced by Riverside Public Utilities. Rancho California Water District is one of EMWD's retail water agencies.





Second Place Winner - Temecula, CA - Uses river rock, society garlic, cacti and more to inspire a serene, water efficient landscape.

The contest promotes water efficient landscaping and utilizes photos of the winning landscapes to inspire attractive water-wise landscaping. For more information, rules and inspiration to start prepping your landscape for the 2020 contest, visit inlandempirelandscapecontest.com.

For more water efficient landscape ideas, visit emwd.org/IELandscapeGuidebook.

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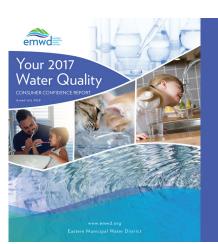
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# EMWD Keeps Customers Informed of Continuous Water Usage

In an effort to minimize continuous water usage and the negative impacts to customer water bills, EMWD encourages customers to keep their contact information and contact preferences up-to-date. EMWD customers with Smart Meters may sign up for leak detection notifications via text, email or voicemail.

To update your information and contact preferences, visit **emwd.org/Update**.





EMWD's annual water quality report is now available!

View the 2017 Consumer Confidence Report at emwd.org/2017ccr