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## Reduce Your Use: Make the Pledge

**P**ledge to reduce your water use by 20% and we will send you a free CALscape outdoor water savings kit!\*

Mail in your completed checklist (below) to Drought 2014, 15600 Sand Canyon Ave., Irvine, CA 92618 or pledge online at [www.irwd.com/drought2014](http://www.irwd.com/drought2014).

\*While supplies last.



**Free CALscape Kit\* with checklist**

### How to Reduce Your Water Use by 20%

Check off the right combination of water-saving actions and pledge to reduce your water use by 20%. Submit your checklist to IRWD, and we'll mail you a CALscape outdoor conservation kit.



Outdoor	Indoor
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CHOOSE WATER-WISE CALscape PLANTS</b> Saves 87 Gallons per day Turf Removal Rebate available	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>INSTALL A HIGH-EFFICIENCY CLOTHES WASHER</b> Saves up to 30 Gallons per load Rebates available
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>ADJUST WATERING TIMES MONTHLY</b> Saves up to 25 Gallons per day Weather-Based Irrigation Controller rebates available	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FIX LEAKY TOILETS</b> Saves 30-50 Gallons per day/toilet
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>WATER BEFORE 8 AM &amp; AVOID WATERING AT WINDY TIMES OF DAY</b> Saves 25 Gallons per day	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>INSTALL AN EPA WATERSENSE TOILET (USES 1.28 GALLON PER FLUSH)</b> Saves 15 Gallons per person/day Rebates available
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CHECK FOR SOIL MOISTURE &amp; WATER ONLY WHEN NEEDED</b> Saves up to 17 Gallons per day Use a trowel to check for moisture 2"- 3" down	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>TAKE FIVE-MINUTE SHOWERS INSTEAD OF 10-MINUTE SHOWERS</b> Saves 18 Gallons per shower with a water-efficient showerhead
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>MULCH UNDER TREES, SHRUBS &amp; FLOWERS</b> Saves up to 8 Gallons per day Mulch also naturally reduces weed growth	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>INSTALL AERATORS ON BATHROOM FAUCETS</b> Saves 1.2 Gallons per person/day
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>REPLACE EXISTING SPRINKLER HEADS WITH ROTATING NOZZLES</b> Saves up to 5 Gallons per head Rebates available	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>FILL THE BATHTUB HALFWAY OR LESS</b> Saves 12 Gallons per person/bath
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>DON'T WASH OR HOSE DOWN WHEN YOU CAN SWEEP</b> Saves up to 15 Gallons per minute	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>WASH ONLY FULL LOADS OF CLOTHES</b> Saves 16 Gallons per load

For more information, or to submit your checklist online, visit [www.irwd.com/drought2014](http://www.irwd.com/drought2014)

You're Invited!

### Landscape Workshops

Learn about creating a drought-resistant landscape from experts. Email [calscape@irwd.com](mailto:calscape@irwd.com) to sign up—include your name, number of attendees and which date you'd like to attend.



**Tuesday, April 22 • 6 p.m.**  
Irvine Ranch Water District  
15600 Sand Canyon Ave., Irvine

**Wednesday, April 30 • 6 p.m.**  
Irvine Ranch Water District  
15600 Sand Canyon Ave., Irvine

**Wednesday, May 28 • 6 p.m.**  
Duck Club at  
the San Joaquin Marsh  
5 Riparian View, Irvine

## Take a Tour of Your Water District

**W**here does my water come from? How can I save more water during the drought? How safe is my water? Get answers to all these questions and more during the Irvine Ranch Water District's Water Awareness tours.



Spring tours are scheduled for:

- **Friday, May 30**
- **Saturday, May 31**
- **Saturday, June 7**

Tours begin promptly at 9 a.m. and conclude approximately at 1 p.m.

Visitors will tour the newly expanded Michelson Water Recycling Plant, the San Joaquin Reservoir and San Joaquin Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Customers may register online at [www.irwd.com/learning/tours](http://www.irwd.com/learning/tours). Questions: 949-453-5500.

## Win a Toyota Prius, Save Water with National Mayor's Challenge

**I**RWD is helping customers take the Mayor's Challenge to conserve water and have the chance to win prizes as well, like a Toyota Prius, sponsored by the Wyland Foundation.

My Water Pledge is a friendly competition between cities across the U.S. to see who can be the most water-wise. Mayors nationwide will challenge their residents to conserve water.

By taking the pledge, customers are entered to win the grand prize of a Toyota Prius, as well as additional prizes. The city with the most pledges wins WaterSmart Software as well as bragging rights.

Visit [www.irwd.com/drought2014](http://www.irwd.com/drought2014) to take the pledge.

## Customer Service Information

IRWD Website Link & Social Media Channels »

### 24 Hour Customer Access

(949) 453-5300

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### Irvine Ranch Water District

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The mission of Irvine Ranch Water District, a public agency, is to provide reliable, high quality water and sewer service in an efficient, cost effective manner and environmentally sensitive way that provides a high level of customer satisfaction.

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