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## EVERYONE SHOULD TRY TO CONSERVE AT LEAST 20 GALLONS A DAY!

California's main water sources have been severely impacted by record dry conditions. Following are *indoor* and *outdoor* water conservation tips to get you started.





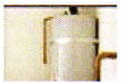





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| CONSERVATION TIPS   |   | ESTIMATED SAVINGS                            |
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|    | Install a water-efficient faucet aerator and turn off water when shaving or brushing your teeth.                                  | 5 gallons per day                            |
|    | Install a low-flow showerhead and take a 5-minute shower.   | 5 gallons per day                            |
|  | Replace older clothes washers and dishwashers with high-efficiency models. Use full loads in the washing machine and dishwasher.  | 15-20 gallons per load                       |
|  | Fix leaky toilets. A leaky toilet may be out of sight and out of mind, but it is one of the biggest water wasters in your home.   | 30-100+ gallons                              |
|  | Check for and fix leaks inside and outside the home (including sprinklers and valves).  | 350-500 gallons per month                    |
|  | Install a 'smart' sprinkler controller in your yard so it won't water when it's raining.  | 20-40 gallons per 1,000 square feet          |
|  | Replace a section of your lawn with California-friendly plants.   | 30-60 gallons per 1,000 square feet          |
|  | Add 2 to 3 inches of mulch around trees and plants. Mulch shades the soil and moisture from the sun, lessening water evaporation. | 20-30 gallons per 1,000 square feet of mulch |



## EVERYONE SHOULD TRY TO CONSERVE ENERGY EVERY DAY!

Following are *indoor* energy conservation tips to get started.  
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| CONSERVATION TIPS   |   | ESTIMATED SAVINGS                 |
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|    | When using the oven for recipes that need to bake for longer than an hour, pre-heating the oven isn't necessary. Just remember to keep the oven door closed. If baking in a ceramic or glass dish, set oven for 25 degrees less than stated in the recipe.            | Save from 2kWh to 4kWh per use    |
|    | When cooking, put lids on pots, and set the stove to a lower temperature. Match pot size to burner size. If using gas, make sure the flame does not reach the outside of the cookware.  | Save up to 66% energy monthly     |
|    | Clean the refrigerator's coils. Make it an annual practice: clean or dust the coils on the back of the refrigerator. This helps the compressor cool faster and run less frequently, reducing energy use and extending the life of the unit.                           | Save up to 30% energy monthly     |
|   | Natural gas clothes dryers are more energy-efficient. Consider replacing an old, inefficient clothes dryer with a natural gas unit. They are generally less expensive to operate.   | Save up to 50% on operating costs |
|  | Set the water heater thermostat to 120°F. Heating water accounts for 18% of the monthly bill. When buying a new water heater, choose an ENERGY STAR® rated gas mode. Reduce the use of hot water by washing full laundry loads in cold water, taking shorter showers. | Save up to 10% of hot water costs |
|  | Compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) are already very efficient. A general rule-of-thumb is if you will be out of a room for 15 minutes or less, leave it on. If you will be out of a room for more than 15 minutes, turn it off.   | CFLs use 75% less energy          |
|  | Use the energy-saving settings on the computer. Only power on the computer, monitor, printer and fax machine when needed. Don't leave on after finished working. Computers and other office equipment still use energy in sleep mode.                                 | Save 5% to 10% energy monthly     |
|  | Turn air conditioner off or thermostat up when not home.<br>Programmable thermostats let select appropriate times to cool the home. Set thermostat at 78°F or higher when the AC is in use.   | Save 5% to 15% energy monthly     |
|  | Install a ceiling fan or use a portable fan. Fans cool by moving air around, bringing fresh air into the room and removing pollutants. Raising the thermostat setting about 4°F will result in no reduction in comfort.   | Save up to 30% energy monthly     |
|  | Window blinds, vertical or horizontal slat-type, are more effective at reducing summer heat gain when completely closed and lowered on a sunny window.  | Reduce heat gain in house by 45%  |