



## TAKE THE GUESS WORK OUT OF YOUR BILL!

### Sign Up for an Equalized Payment Plan

Now that federally-mandated metered rates are in effect, water bills will fluctuate depending on the season and amount of water used. To help customers maintain a consistent bill throughout the year, SJWD offers an equalized payment option. This is a great option for customers who like to balance their bill amounts throughout the year.

#### DON'T FORGET

San Juan Water District offers an easy electronic funds transfer (EFT) and credit card payment option free of charge! To find more details on these payment services, visit [www.sjwd.org](http://www.sjwd.org) and click on "Payment Options."

The equalized payment plan calculates your average water consumption for a 12-month period and based on this figure, determines your bi-monthly cost. Your account will be reviewed by district staff each May or June (depending

on whether you are billed during odd or even months) and any variances from estimated water use to actual water use will either be credited to the account or billed to the customer.

If you are interested in signing up, please call (916) 791-0115. You also may download the Equalized Payment Plan authorization form by visiting [www.sjwd.org](http://www.sjwd.org). Completed forms can be mailed to P.O. Box 2157, Granite Bay, CA 95746.



## WATER QUALITY REPORT TO BE DISTRIBUTED SOON

Look for SJWD's annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) coming your way this summer. The report summarizes the results of more than 200 water quality tests to ensure safe drinking water. SJWD always meets or exceeds federal and state requirements for drinking water. To review last year's CCR, visit [www.sjwd.org](http://www.sjwd.org).

## REGIONAL WATER USE GUIDELINES



In April 2000, a diverse group made up of Sacramento businesses, agricultural leaders, citizen groups, environmentalists and water purveyors (including San Juan Water District) signed the Water Forum Agreement. The agreement's objective is to provide a safe and reliable water supply for current and future residents while maintaining the economic health of the region and preservation of the lower American River including the fisheries, wildlife and recreational areas.

In keeping with the Water Forum Agreement goal to discourage the wasteful use of water, SJWD would like to remind our customers to please follow these simple guidelines:

- Only use water for beneficial purposes.
- Do not allow irrigation runoff to flow onto adjoining properties or into ditches and gutters.
- Promptly repair all leaky pipes, fixtures or sprinklers.
- Use automatic shut-off nozzles on hoses.
- Use recirculating pumps for swimming pools, ponds and fountains and make sure the structures are leak-proof.
- Contact SJWD prior to draining or refilling your pool.

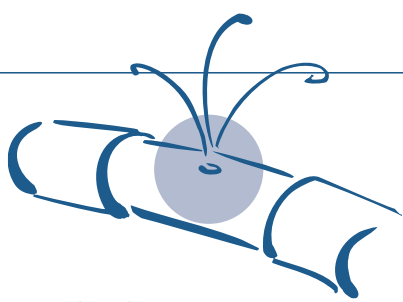
All of these guidelines will help ensure a sustainable water supply for the Sacramento region and also help save on water usage. San Juan Water District would like to thank you for your cooperation.



### HAVE FUN AND GET W.E.T!

Join the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and the California State Parks as they sponsor the sixth annual Get Water Education Today (WET) program! The event will take place on Sunday, June 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the CSUS Aquatic Center (1901 Hazel Avenue, Gold River, CA). The event is fun for the family and provides both children and adults the opportunity to learn about water. Attendees will enjoy food, informative booths, games, prizes and much more! Make sure to join us for this day of fun and learning.

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## TRY THESE SIMPLE AND FREE WATER SAVING TIPS!

As summer approaches, now is the perfect opportunity to learn about services that can help you use water wisely. Here's how SJWD can help.

**Landscape irrigation reviews** — A certified district staff member will visit your home and evaluate your irrigation system free of charge. Upon completion, the staff member will develop an optimum watering schedule for your landscape.

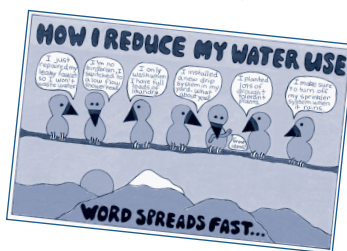
**CIMIS helpline** — The California Irrigation Management Information System (CIMIS) can help provide information about the seasonal water needs of your landscape. Simply call the helpline at (916) 725-1713 which is updated weekly with new tips about how to determine the water needs of your landscape.

**Water saving freebies** — Customers are eligible to receive free, low-flow shower heads, toilet tummies (to help elevate water levels in your toilet), and kitchen/bathroom faucet aerators to help you save water.

**Leak detection** — Trained SJWD staff will visit your home to investigate and identify possible water leaks free of charge. Remember: a little leak can waste a lot of water.

For more information on these and other water saving services, call (916) 791-2663 or visit [www.sjwd.org](http://www.sjwd.org).

## SJWD PROUDLY ANNOUNCES THE WINNERS



In celebration of Water Awareness Month (May), local schools were invited to participate in a poster contest sponsored by SJWD. Students were able to showcase their artistic ability and demonstrate their water smart knowledge by creating posters with water efficiency themes. Many excellent poster entries were received and three winners were selected.

**First Place and Grand Prize Winner:**  
Austin Murray, 6th grade, Ridgeview Elementary

**Second Place:**  
Lexi Dentino, 6th grade, Eureka Elementary

**Third Place:**  
Nicole Schnuelle, 5th grade, Ridgeview Elementary

A big thank you to all participants and congratulations to the winners!

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Here are the upcoming workshops:

### Drip Irrigation Workshop

A perfect opportunity for do-it-yourself landscapers to learn more about drip irrigation techniques and maintenance.

**When:** Saturday, June 11 from 9 a.m. to noon

**Where:** SJWD, 9935 Auburn-Folsom Road, Granite Bay

**Cost:** This workshop is **free** to all SJWD customers

### Pond Workshop

Learn how to increase the water efficiency of your pond and receive valuable tips for small and large ponds alike.

**When:** Saturday, June 25 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Where:** SJWD, 9935 Auburn-Folsom Road, Granite Bay

**Cost:** \$10 (includes lunch)

**RSVP:** (916) 791-2663

### Itinerary:

**9 a.m. to 1 p.m.** - Larger, natural or earthen ponds

**1 to 2 p.m.** - Lunch and a demonstration of pond-compatible plants

**2 to 4 p.m.** - Smaller, ornamental ponds

Workshop participants have the option of attending the morning session, afternoon session or both sessions.

Call (916) 791-2663 for information on pond improvement rebates available to SJWD customers!

## GET PAID FOR WATER EFFICIENCY!

After July 1, new rebates will be available to San Juan Water District customers thanks to grant funding from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. Here's how you can become more water efficient and save money:

- **Washing machine rebate:** Customers who purchase and install high-efficiency washing machines may be eligible for savings of \$75, \$100 or \$125 in rebates. Customers must agree to a free indoor water audit by certified San Juan Water District staff to be eligible for rebates.
- **Hot water re-circulation system rebate:** Customers who purchase and install district-approved hot water re-circulating systems can receive a \$75 rebate. Customers must agree to a free indoor water audit by certified district staff to be eligible for the rebate.
- **ET irrigation controller rebate:** Customers who purchase and install an evapo-transpiration (ET) irrigation controller can receive \$125 in rebates. Customers must agree to a free landscape irrigation review by certified district staff who will program your controller when they conduct the review.

Remember: these rebates will not be available until after July 1. Receipts are required and post-dated receipts will not be accepted.



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