

# TEMPORARY DROUGHT SURCHARGE APPROVED



Reduce your water use by 15% now to lessen the impact of the temporary drought surcharge on your next bill.

## WHAT WE'RE ASKING NOW

- Reduce water use by 15% compared to 2020
- Focus reductions on outdoor water use
- Report water waste at [ccwater.com/drought](http://ccwater.com/drought) or by calling 925-688-8000

## 15% TEMPORARY DROUGHT SURCHARGE

To cover costs related to the drought, all water use starting July 1 is subject to a 15% drought surcharge. This surcharge amounts to \$0.79 per 748 gallons. **You will first see the surcharge in your bill statement received in September or October, which covers water used during the prior two months.**

The surcharge will only remain in place while we are in this drought emergency. Households using less than 200 gallons per day are considered to be efficient and will automatically receive a credit to offset the proposed drought surcharge. This credit will be funded with non-rate revenues.

## #ConserveinContraCosta **TIPS TO REDUCE YOUR USE BY 15%**

**Monitor your water use:** Read your meter or use a smart water monitor to track your daily use and detect leaks. CCWD offers an instant rebate for Flume Smart Home Water Monitors.

**Find and fix leaks:** A leaking toilet can waste more than 100 gallons a day.

**Reduce sprinkler use:** Reducing your irrigation by one watering day can save hundreds of gallons per week.

→ Learn more about these tips and find additional water efficiency rebates and resources at [ccwater.com/drought](http://ccwater.com/drought) or call 925-688-8320.

**Mulch around plants:** Using 2-3 inches of mulch in landscape areas can save 20-30 gallons each time you water your yard. Mulch reduces the amount of water evaporation, which means you'll be able to water less often.

**Shorten your shower:** Taking shorter showers saves 2 to 5 gallons per minute.

## TRACK YOUR WATER USE



The less water you use, the less you will feel the impact of the temporary drought surcharge! We can help you get the most value out of every drop.

Find your water use on your bill statement, online at [ccwater.com/MyWaterReport](http://ccwater.com/MyWaterReport), or by calling 925-688-8000.