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## **Press Release**

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## Vallecitos Customers can Irrigate Three Times per Week

To comply with Governor Newsom's executive order N-7-22, the Vallecitos Water District Board of Directors voted to move to a Level 2 Drought Alert at their regular meeting on April 20, 2022. Now that the calendar has moved to June, Vallecitos customers can irrigate three times per week on a schedule of their own choosing through the end of October.

The Drought Alert also serves as a good reminder of prohibited wasteful practices within the Vallecitos service area, such as:

- Irrigating between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- Irrigating within 48 hours of a measurable rain event
- Visible signs of runoff when irrigating landscapes
- Hosing down hardscapes (patios, driveways, sidewalks, etc.)
- Not using a shut-off nozzle when washing cars
- Not fixing leaks within 48 hours of discovery

Commercial customers must also comply with the following requirements:

- Restaurants only serve water on request
- Hotels provide the option of not laundering linens and towels daily

Vallecitos has sufficient water supplies for its customers, even if drought conditions persist. This is due to the fact that Vallecitos now receives a portion of its water directly from the Carlsbad Desalination Plant, which is a local, drought-resilient supply. Regardless, customers should always use water wisely.

Ways customers can save water include:

- Only washing full loads of laundry or dishes
- Taking shorter showers, rather than baths
- Do not run water while brushing teeth or washing hands

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For more information on drought regulations and conservation programs available to assist customers in their conservation efforts, go to <a href="https://www.vwd.org/drought">www.vwd.org/drought</a> or call the District at (760) 744-0460.

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**About Vallecitos Water District**: As an independent, special district, Vallecitos is dedicated to providing water, wastewater, and reclamation services to over 105,000 people in a 45-square-mile area that includes San Marcos; the community of Lake San Marcos; portions of Carlsbad, Escondido, and Vista; and other surrounding unincorporated areas.