



ARE WE STILL IN A DROUGHT?

Southern California has experienced record-setting rain and snowfall this winter. With such bountiful supplies, many customers are asking: "Are we still in a drought?"

On February 8, the State Water Resources Control Board extended statewide conservation regulations to prevent waste and encourage efficiency under the Governor's ongoing emergency drought declaration. The agency will re-evaluate this status in May, but until then, regulations remain in effect. What does this mean for Mesa Water customers?

Mesa Water's approach has been to promote and incentivize water use efficiency and discourage waste of our valuable water resources. As Mesa Water customers continue to practice efficient water use in their homes and yards, we encourage you to find even more water saving tools.

Efforts can be simple, including a shorter shower, watering outdoors just one day a week during winter and timely repair of leaks in irrigation and appliances. For more ambitious homeowners, turf removal rebates are offered through Mesa Water. To learn more visit <https://www.mesawater.org/save-water/rebates>.

As warmer months approach, it's important to continue being efficient water users. It's also important to know where our water comes from. Thanks to a big vision and investments made long ago, Mesa Water provides 100 percent of its water from local sources. To learn more about the Mesa Water Reliability Facility, visit [MesaWater.org](https://www.mesawater.org).

Thank you for being Mesa Water Savers!



Hot Water News

WE HAVE A NEW LOOK!

"Water District News" is now "News on Tap." Our new look is designed to be easy to read and packed with information about your drinking water. We hope you enjoy it!

Fresh Water Facts

SIGN UP FOR EMERGENCY ALERTS

Emergencies can happen when least expected and often when you're away from home. AlertOC informs Orange County residents and businesses of emergencies as they happen. Register with AlertOC to receive urgent voice messages on your home, cell or business phone. Text messages can also be sent to cell phones, e-mail accounts and TTY/TDD equipment. Please visit our website to register for AlertOC. <https://www.mesawater.org/community/emergency-preparedness>

Events

You can find Mesa Water at these upcoming community events:

- ◆ **Children's Water Education Festival**
March 29 and 30 - 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
University of California, Irvine - Aldrich Park.
- ◆ **Water-Wise Landscape Expo**
April 15 - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - The Home Depot - 2300 S. Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa. Open to the public.
- ◆ **Imaginology S.T.E.A.M. Ahead**
April 21 - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - OC Fair and Event Center
88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa. Open to the public April 22 and 23.
- ◆ **Costa Mesa Community Run**
April 22 - 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. Estancia High School Stadium
2323 Placentia Ave, Costa Mesa.
Use promo code "MesaWater" to save 10% on race registration!



Save Time and Water with Just a Click

Looking to save water and paper? Sign up to pay your bill online and you'll be on your way. You can schedule recurring payments or make a one-time payment online. Each Mesa Water customer that signs up for online bill pay saves 63 gallons of water per year by eliminating the paper bill. Half of our customers currently use online bill pay. To sign up, visit mesawater.org.



Leadership

COMMUNITY OUTREACH CAMPAIGN RECEIVES HONORS

Mesa Water District has received an Award of Excellence in community relations from the Orange County Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America. The "Mesa Water Saver" campaign was launched to educate the community and encourage conservation. Thanks to our customers, we met and exceeded the state's 20 percent conservation mandate. The award was presented to the Mesa Water Board of Directors at the February Board meeting. Congratulations and thank you, Mesa Water Savers, for your commitment to conservation!



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BOARD MEETINGS

Mesa Water's Board meets the second Thursday of each month. Regular meetings begin at 6 p.m. at 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, and are open to the public. For more information, call 949.631.1206.

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