



EMERGENCY DROUGHT DECLARATION IS LIFTED, CONSERVATION ENCOURAGED AS A WAY OF LIFE

Thanks to an abundant snowpack in the Sierra Nevada mountain range and record-setting conservation throughout the state, on April 7, 2017, California Governor Jerry Brown lifted the emergency drought declaration that has been in place since 2015.

The State Water Resources Control Board will continue requiring water use reporting by urban water suppliers, including Mesa Water District (Mesa Water), and prohibitions against water waste. Watering still must be done before 8 a.m. or after 5 p.m. and continues to be prohibited during, or within 48 hours after, rainfall or for washing sidewalks and driveways.

Mesa Water customers have excelled at reducing water use, specifically turning off the sprinklers and adjusting timer settings, and using a broom instead of a hose on pavement. The City of Costa Mesa has been instrumental in reducing the need for water on street medians by replacing turf with drought-tolerant landscaping and installing drip and other irrigation for watering trees.

Customers in Mesa Water's service area are informed and proactive, continuing to conserve. As warmer weather approaches, Mesa Water encourages residents to adjust sprinkler settings and watering times as needed, according to weather, season, and plant type.

A recommended watering schedule can be found online at the new and improved MesaWater.org/Save-Water. We appreciate your conservation during the drought and continued dedication to wise water use.



Audio Devices for Tours

Mesa Water has recently implemented a facility tour listening system, providing guests a crystal clear learning experience. No longer troubled by the hum of motors, pumps and filters, visitors to Mesa Water production facilities can now use a personal audio device. Stay tuned for upcoming tours and other outreach events! For more information about Mesa Water facilities, visit MesaWater.org/about/infrastructure.

New Water Vending Machine This Summer

Mesa Water's new water vending machine, located outside Mesa Water's offices at 1965 Placentia Avenue, is still only 5 cents a gallon. The tap water is filtered by reverse osmosis and measured in 1, 3 and 5 gallon increments. Bring your nickels, dimes, and quarters, and fill your clean, refillable water bottles with fresh, high quality water from Mesa Water.



Community

OC FAIR WATERWISE WEDNESDAYS

Waterwise Wednesdays are coming back for farm fresh fun! Visit Mesa Water in Centennial Farms at the 2017 OC Fair.

Take a guided tour of Mesa Water's beautiful and water-efficient demonstration garden to learn how to beautify your landscape with California Friendly® plants and be waterwise. Free with OC Fair admission, guided garden tours are offered Wednesdays during the fair from noon to 5 p.m. on July 19 and 26, and August 2 and 9. Visitors will have the opportunity to receive a waterwise prize. See MesaWater.org/community/events for upcoming events.



Water Quality

2017 WATER QUALITY REPORT AVAILABLE JULY 1ST

Mesa Water's annual consumer confidence report will be available July 1, 2017. The water quality report discusses the sources and quality of water supplies provided by Mesa Water to its 110,000 customers.

In Mesa Water's nearly 60 year history, there have been no reportable violations and the District's water supplies have consistently complied with safety and regulatory requirements. The PDF version may be downloaded from MesaWater.org/water-quality or a printed copy is available from the Mesa Water office at 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627.



Employee Excellence

MEET KAY LEE

Kaying ("Kay") Lee, Mesa Water's Water Quality and Compliance Supervisor, is dedicated to providing safe, clean drinking water to our customers. The satisfaction of ensuring tap water meets state standards has always been one of the joys of Kay's job.

Beginning her career in the water quality field as a college intern, Kay worked in food quality for nearly four years and then made her way back into the water industry. "There is a lot more to water quality than turning on the tap and seeing clean water," Kay reminds us, noting the requirements and testing at all stages of the process, from the source, to the facility, to distribution. Kay has worked for the district since January of 2015.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ethan Temianka

President; Division III

Jim Atkinson

Vice President; Division IV

Fred R. Bockmiller

Director; Division I

Shawn Dewane

Director; Division V

James R. Fisler

Director; Division II

GENERAL MANAGER

Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E.

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.

Produced by Mesa Water's Board of Directors, *News On Tap* is a bi-monthly publication to inform Mesa Water's customers and community about water-based issues and events.

We welcome your comments:

Mesa Water District
Public Affairs Department
1965 Placentia Avenue
Costa Mesa, CA 92627
949.631.1201
info@MesaWater.org

After Hours Emergency Phone:

949.631.1200

MesaWater.org

 [@MesaWaterDistrict](https://www.facebook.com/MesaWaterDistrict)

 [@MesaWater](https://twitter.com/MesaWater)

 [@MesaWater](https://www.instagram.com/MesaWater)



Printed using soy-based ink on 100% recycled FSC®-certified and elemental chlorine-free paper. Please recycle this when you are finished reading it. Thank you.