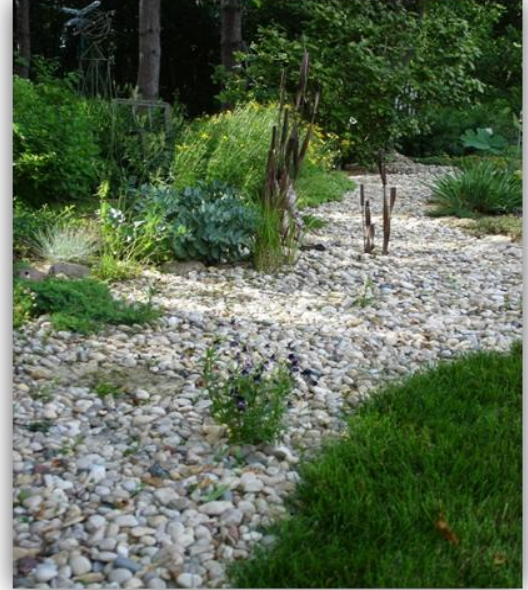




Eliminate Irrigation Runoff to Conserve Water

The City's Municipal Code (Chapter 14.22) prohibits landscape watering in a manner that produces runoff. Any irrigation water that discharges from your property is wasted water and may also transport pollutants to our creeks, rivers, and bays. Ways you can eliminate irrigation runoff to save water and be compliant are listed below.



Alternative Irrigation Systems & Practices

1. Incorporate Behavioral Changes

- ✓ *Limit watering times*
- ✓ *Use a spray nozzle to control water flow*

2. Incorporate Structural Changes

- ✓ *Install drip irrigation*
- ✓ *Use drought tolerant landscaping*
- ✓ *Create a buffer zone of rocks or mulch along landscape perimeter so sprinkler overspray does not enter the sidewalk or street*
- ✓ *Replace grass with smart- scape or xeriscape*
- ✓ *Regularly check local and state websites for available programs.*

3. Take Advantage of Rebate & Incentive Programs

Incentive programs may be offered for:

- ✓ *Irrigation control sensors*
- ✓ *Free sprinkler nozzle program*
- ✓ *Single source gray water system retrofit*

Rebate programs may be offered for:

- ✓ *Weather-based irrigation controllers (WBICs)*
- ✓ *Rotating sprinkler nozzles*
- ✓ *Rain barrels*
- ✓ *Soil moisture sensor systems*

Water efficiency rebates and incentives may be available to residents and businesses through the Sweetwater Authority. Visit <http://www.sweetwater.org> and click on Water Efficiency for details. [SoCalWaterSmart](http://www.socalwatersmart.com) also may offer rebates; for details, see <http://www.socalwatersmart.com>.



Over-irrigation or irrigation runoff from your property is not allowed and may result in monetary penalties. Report over-irrigation issues to the **City's Storm Water Hotline** at **619-336-4389**.