



because every choice matters

WATER SAVING ACTIONS



Small Acts
Lead To
Large Changes

Place water-saving reminders by faucets

Use a shower timer and limit showers to 5 minutes!

Turn off the water while brushing your teeth

Turn off the shower while washing your hair

Use a bucket to catch water while water is heating ...
use it to flush toilets or water plants

Install low flow fixtures and appliances (rebates are available)

Displace water in the back of your toilet tank with a brick

Run full loads of laundry and dishes.

- Wash your car sparingly
- Use a broom instead of the hose to “clean”
- Go Meatless on Mondays!
- Get a home water audit
- Fix the leaks - faucets, toilets, pipes, irrigation lines
- Pee outside to save water (but use tasteful judgment :)

Go Outside!

KEEP CALM
AND
GET SERIOUS

Sheet mulch your water-thirsty lawn into food garden, and/or native drought tolerant plants. **Plant densely** to shade soil and reduce evaporation. Spread a thick layer of mulch (2-3 inches) to **retain soil moisture**. Switch to **drip irrigation**.

Install timers and water at night, dawn or dusk to prevent evaporation.

Set up a greywater system

Catch rainwater from your roof in tanks for irrigation during the dry season

Design earthworks to double as paths and mulch retention basins or even a rain garden

Go even further - CAREFULLY direct offsite water from the street or neighbors to sink into your site

