

WATER CONSERVATION ANNUAL REPORT



FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017



EVERY
DROP
COUNTS

MPWD WATER
CONSERVATION
SAVINGS

24.1%

WATER
CONSERVATION

Drought Lessons Learned

The Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) – an agency created by California legislators and put in place to protect the interests of local retail water purveyors who purchase water supply from the SFPUC – released its findings in August 2017 on its recent drought study. The purpose of the *Drought Report* is to document the drought response actions taken by BAWSCA and its member agencies, and capture the critical knowledge gained through those actions during the 2014 to 2017 drought period. The report is intended to serve as a reference document for future drought response and planning efforts. The *Drought Report* is available to the public at www.bawasca.org/droughtreport



BAWSCA
Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency

Water Conservation: Think Long Term!

The California Drought may be over for now, but you can still save money and water resources by continuing to use water as efficiently as possible. Here are some valuable websites we have gathered up to assist you in these long-term efforts:



saveourwater.org

h2house.org

wateruseitwisely.com

bayareagardening.org

epa.gov/watersense

drinktap.org

Fiscal Year Rebate Program Totals

Renewal rebate programs in FY 2016-2017 included Washing Machine (WMRP), High-Efficiency Toilet (HET), Lawn-Be-Gone (LBG), and Rain Barrels. Fiscal year total rebates granted by the MPWD were as follows:

WASHING MACHINE REBATES



65

HIGH-EFFICIENCY TOILET REBATES



136

LAWN-BE-GONE REBATES



6

RAIN BARREL REBATES

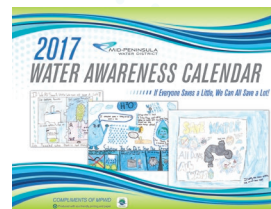


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Community Outreach Events

MPWD remains active within its service area as a way of giving back to its communities and promoting conservation education and awareness of water-related issues important to our customers. MPWD was proud to participate in these events in FY 2016-2017:

- Biannual Hands-On Workshop Landscape Classes – Drip Irrigation & Mini Hands-On Demo on October 22, 2016, and Basic Horticulture Parent/Child “Bugs in the Garden” Workshop on May 11, 2017.
- School field trip with San Carlos Charter Learning Center – Nov. 15, 2016.
- 2017 Water Awareness Calendar Contest Ceremony – Jan. 26, 2017.
- Earth Day Celebration in Belmont – April 29, 2017.
- Belmont Public Works Day – May 24, 2017.
- 2017 National Night Out – Aug. 1, 2017.



MPWD CONNECTS WITH LOCAL SCHOOLS



MPWD continues to offer local schools FREE Regional School Education Programs through its partnership with BAWSCA – Earthcapades Assembly Program, Waterwise Resource Actions Program, and Tuolumne River Trust Classroom Presentation. If you are a BRSSD educator, please contact the District office or Water Conservation Specialist Jeanette Kalabolas directly Monday-Friday during normal business hours at 650.591.8941 to learn more about these programs.

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- A total of 18 public water waste complaints were received and resolved by MPWD.
- The MPWD continues to offer a number of popular water-saving devices **free** to its customers: water timers, conservation kits, shower buckets, flapper valves, dish scrapers, and toilet tank banks.
- State, regional, and local framework efforts continue with respect to the Governor's Executive Order B-37-16, the long-term water-use “Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life” initiative.

Free

HANDS-ON WORKSHOP

Parent/Child Workshop: Basic Horticulture 101 HOSTED AT MPWD

Last May, the MPWD and BAWSCA co-hosted a new Parent/Child Hands-On Workshop focused on managing and utilizing insects in the garden. Frank Niccoli, the workshop instructor, captivated attendees with facts about insects, the effect they have on humanity, the benefits they offer, and what life would be like without them. For an added bonus, real-life specimens were passed around for viewing under magnifying glasses! Each child in attendance got to keep their magnifying glass as a complimentary gift, while adults received vegetable seeds for planting in their gardens. The workshop was a big hit and well-attended by both adults and children alike.

Please visit bawsca.org/landscape.php to check out the remaining Fall line-up of BAWSCA's Landscape Education Classes available at local agencies. For more information on past and future MPWD Hands-On Workshops, please visit MidPeninsulaWater.org/workshops

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