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WATER SAVING TIPS – OUTSIDE

There are a number of ways to save water, and they all start with you.

- Call and report significant water losses from broken pipes, open hydrants, and errant sprinklers to the property owner or your water management district.
- Remember that Bermuda grasses are dormant (brown) in the winter and will only require water once every three to four weeks or less if it rains.
- Start a compost pile. Using compost when you plant adds water-holding organic matter to the soil.
- Use sprinklers that throw big drops of water close to the ground. Smaller drops of water and mist often evaporate before they hit the ground.
- More plants die from over-watering than from under-watering. Be sure only to water plants when necessary.
- Adjust your watering schedule to the season. Water your summer lawn every third day and your winter lawn every fifth day.
- Aerate your lawn. Punch holes in your lawn about six inches apart so water will reach the roots rather than run off the surface.
- Place an empty tuna can on your lawn to catch and measure the water output of your sprinklers. For lawn watering advice, contact your local conservation office.
- Bathe your pets outdoors in an area in need of water.

***Do one thing each day that will save water.
Even if savings are small, every drop counts.***

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