



# TRIUNFO SANITATION DISTRICT

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Board of Directors  
Triunfo Sanitation District  
Ventura County, California

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## WATER CONSERVATION CUSTOMER REBATE PROGRAM – 2011/2012

On June 8, 2011, staff received notification from Metropolitan Water District (MWD) and Calleguas Municipal Water District (CMWD), of the agencies' plans for the Residential Water Conservation Rebate Program in fiscal year 2011/2012. The program has received initial funding from both agencies, and Oak Park Water Service again has the opportunity to offer supplemental rebates to customers who purchase approved water-efficient appliances and landscape equipment.

For fiscal year 2010/2011, your Board authorized participation in the program at a maximum amount of \$1,200, allocated as follows:

- \$400 for high-efficiency toilets (HETs) (\$20 each)
- \$800 for high-efficiency clothes washers (HECWs) (\$20 each), weather-based irrigation controllers (WBICs) (\$20 each), and rotating irrigation nozzles (\$2 each)

As of the date of this letter, \$260 has been spent on HET rebates. Note: this percentage tracks with overall program trending – there are fewer requests being submitted for HET rebates than in the past.

The \$800 allocation was reached in December 2010, primarily by requests for HECW rebates; since December, MWD processed applications from OPWS customers totaling an additional \$800 in un-funded rebates. (These customers did, however, receive the MWD and CMWD rebates.)

For fiscal year 2011/2012, MWD and CMWD have authorized rebates at the following levels:

Device	MWD Amount	CMWD Amount
HECW	\$85	\$25
Rotating Nozzles	\$3	\$2
WBIC < 1 acre	\$85	\$25
WBIC > 1 acre	\$25/station	\$25 flat
HET	\$50	\$25 (plus admin fee of \$11.95 per application)

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Should your Board decide to continue offering supplemental rebates for the 2011/2012 fiscal year at the \$1,200 allocation approved for 2010/2011, staff recommends increasing the allocation to \$1,000 for HECWs, WBICs, and rotating nozzles, while decreasing the allocation for HETs to \$200.

MWD has implemented a reporting feature that enables participating agencies to monitor the number and variety of rebate applications submitted from customers. Staff would be pleased to perform this monitoring and provide monthly reports to the Board. **Please note that allocations can be increased during the year if demand gets close to reaching the initial maximum amounts.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (805) 658-4608 or sandywarren@vrsd.com.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve participation in the MWD Residential Water Conservation Rebate Program at an initial amount of \$1,200 (\$1,000 for HECWs, WBICs, and irrigation nozzles; \$200 for HETs) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012, and at the following per-device levels:

Device	MWD Amount	CMWD Amount	OPWS/TSD Amount
HECW	\$85	\$25	\$20
Rotating Nozzles	\$3	\$2	\$2
WBIC < 1 acre	\$85	\$25	\$20
WBIC > 1 acre	\$25/station	\$25 flat amount	\$20 flat amount
HET	\$50	\$25 (plus \$11.95 admin. fee)	\$20

It is further recommended that the Board direct staff to provide monthly reports on rebate application activity so that increased allocations may be made during the year, if the Board so directs.



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APPROVED FOR JUNE 27, 2011 AGENDA

  
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