

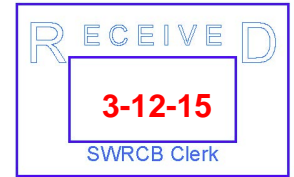


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RE: "3/17-18/15 BOARD MEETING (Emergency Regulations for Water Conservation)."

The Cucamonga Valley Water District (CVWD) has a comprehensive water conservation outreach and education program. The District has been reshaping the water use patterns and practices of our customers through the use of a variety of outreach efforts, education programs in schools, rebates, water efficient landscape workshops, and other community programs. In 2009, the CVWD Board of Directors took action and adopted two ordinances to deal with water shortage situations. The ordinances were created to set the minimum standards for water efficiency use for our customers and to encourage conservation while not having a disproportionate impact on customers who had already implemented conservation methods.

One of the ordinances, Water Use Efficiency Ordinance 47, outlines mandatory prohibited water waste practices and includes a list of widely recognized "Best Management" Practices which our customers could easily achieve to conserve water. "**Ordinance 47, Encouraging Water Use Efficiency**" *remains in effect at all times*. In addition, in April 2014 the CVWD Board of Directors adopted a resolution reconfirming our awareness of the drought and the commitment to outreach to our customers. The resolution also encouraged customers to align with Ordinance 47 if they already were not doing so.

Following the emergency regulations adopted last year by the State Water Resources Control Board CVWD has been working diligently with its customers to reduce water consumption and we have been relatively successful in our efforts. CVWD respectfully requests that any additional new specific water restrictions only be a framework allowing for similarly worded restrictions to be acceptable. As mentioned, our agency already has restrictions in place with Ordinance 47 that are closely aligned with the proposed rulemaking that accomplish the same goals; however, they do not exactly match the board's proposed language.

We urge that any reporting requirements have flexibility and a common sense approach to them as each agency is different and to avoid any reporting tool or requirement that is overly burdensome. We also have concerns over violations as the proposed regulations do not address how the restrictions would be enforced and who would enforce them. Thank you for your consideration and for the open dialogue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Martin E. Zvirbulis", written over a horizontal line.

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