

## San Diego Water Board Authorizes 33 Percent Increase in Recycled Water Production at USMC Base Camp Pendleton

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The San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board (San Diego Water Board) adopted an order today authorizing an increase in recycled water production at the US Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton. This is the second such increase by the base <u>this summer</u>.

The adopted order clears the way for the military facility to begin producing 2.4 million gallons per day (MGD) of recycled water from its Northern Tertiary Treatment Plant. This will bring the Base's production of recycled water to 9.9 MGD. Production from the Northern Plant could rise to 4 MGD as reuse projects are developed for the Base raising total production to 11.6 MGD.

"Once again, Camp Pendleton is leading the San Diego Region in its commitment to create a local, sustainable water supply," said San Diego Water Board Executive Officer Dave Gibson.

Camp Pendleton receives no imported water, relying instead on groundwater and recycled water to meet the needs of the base.

By adopting this order, the San Diego Water Board continues to demonstrate its commitment to fast track permits for recycled water projects in the region, which is heavily dependent on imported water. This is in keeping with San Diego Water Board's Practical Vision planning tool and the State Recycled Water Policy, which calls upon Californians to increase the use of recycled water over 2002 levels by at least one million acre-feet per year by 2020, and by at least two million acre-feet per year by 2030. One acre-foot equals about 356,000 gallons.

For more about the San Diego Water Board visit: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/

Governor Brown has called on all Californians to reduce their water use by 20 percent and prevent water waste – visit <u>SaveOurH2O.org</u> to find out how everyone can do their part, and visit <u>Drought.CA.Gov</u> to learn more about how California is dealing with the effects of the drought.

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