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“Save-A-Buck” Commercial Conservation Rebate Funding Exhausted

Some local funding remains; residential water conservation rebates still available

Funding for commercial water conservation rebates offered through the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) of Southern California’s Commercial, Industrial, & Institutional Save-A-Buck Rebate Program (www.mwdsaveabuck.com) has been exhausted for the current fiscal year. The CII Save-a-Buck program provides rebates for the replacement of older, inefficient devices used by businesses.

Limited commercial rebates remain available through the Water Authority and local water agencies including Otay Water District, Santa Fe Irrigation District, Valley Center Municipal Water District, and the cities of Escondido, Oceanside and Poway. The Water Authority, in partnership with San Diego Gas and Electric, has limited funding for multi-family high-efficiency clothes washers. Before purchasing any water-saving devices, the Water Authority urges businesses to contact their local water supplier to determine the availability of commercial rebates.

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Residential rebates available through MWD’s SoCal WaterSmart program (www.socalwatersmart.com) remain plentiful. Only 10 percent of the \$6 million budgeted for this fiscal year had been expended as of December 26. The SoCal WaterSmart program provides rebates for residential water-saving devices such as high-efficiency clothes washers and toilets, smart irrigation controllers, as well as Smart Landscape evaluations.

For more information on water conservation rebate programs go to:

<http://www.20gallonchallenge.com/programs.html>.

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The San Diego County Water Authority is a public agency serving the San Diego region as a wholesale supplier of water from the Colorado River and Northern California. The Water Authority works through its 24 member agencies to provide a safe, reliable water supply to support the region’s \$171 billion economy and the quality of life of 3.2 million residents.