## Being Water - Wise in Woodland

## Woodland Water Conservation Initiative



On Friday, February 27, 2009, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger declared a drought state of emergency due to three years of below-average rain and snowfall in California. Urban water agencies are requested to reduce water use by 20 percent. Mandatory rationing is an option if the declaration and other measures are insufficient. For more information, please see the Department of Water Resources State Drought webpage (<a href="http://www.water.ca.gov/drought/">http://www.water.ca.gov/drought/</a>).

The City of Woodland is asking its residents, commercial and industrial sites, and all public utilities to aid us in reaching the 20 percent reduction goal. The City is launching a Water Conservation Initiative and encourages all water consumers to comply with the following voluntary conservation measures.



## Be Water-wise in Woodland

To be Water-Wise in Woodland and support the Water Conservation Initiative, follow the voluntary conservation measures below and Conserve Water!

Check your house for leaks and fix all that you find (toilets, faucets, irrigation systems).

Only do full loads of laundry and dishes.

No hosing down of hardscape surfaces except for health and safety purposes.

**S**pas and pools should be covered when not in use.

Early morning hours are best for watering lawns (between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.).

**R**eplace old fixtures and appliances with high-efficiency models. (see City website for toilet rebates)

Value water: turn it off while doing dishes, brushing your teeth, and washing your hands.

Evaluate sprinklers and adjust so they don't water your street, driveway, or sidewalk.

Water only as needed (often as little as once every two weeks).

Adjust your sprinkler system according to the season and weather conditions.

Turn off sprinklers during rain.

Equip all hoses or filling apparatuses with automatic shut-off nozzles.

**R**etain soil moisture by using mulch around the base of plants.

For more information, see the City of Woodland website at www.cityofwoodland.org or contact the Water Conservation Coordinator at (530) 406-5117.



