

BOLINAS COMMUNITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

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Re: Emergency Water Conservation Regulations Adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board

Dear Bolinas Community Member:

On behalf of the Bolinas Community Public Utility District ("BCPUD"), I am writing to inform you about the emergency water conservation regulations adopted by the California State Water Resources Control Board ("SWRCB") effective as of August 1, 2014. You are receiving this letter because you are a customer of the BCPUD and one or more of the emergency regulations may have implications for activities at your property.

The SWRCB's emergency water conservation regulations focus on outdoor water use because most Californians use more water outdoors than indoors. We have posted detailed information about the new regulations on our website at www.bcpud.org and we will update our site as more information becomes available. In brief, the regulations prohibit *all Californians* from doing each of the following:

- Applying potable water to any driveways or sidewalks;
- Using potable water to water outdoor landscapes in a manner that causes runoff to adjacent property, non-irrigated areas, private and public walkways, roadways, parking lots or structures;
- Using a hose that dispenses potable water to wash a motor vehicle, unless the hose is fitted with a trigger shut-off nozzle; and
- Using potable water in a fountain or decorative water feature, unless the water is recirculated.

In addition, the SWRCB regulations state that small water suppliers such as the BCPUD must require its customers to *limit outdoor irrigation to no more than two days per week or implement another mandatory conservation measure to achieve a comparable reduction in water consumption by the people it serves relative to the amount consumed in 2013.*

The BCPUD staff will be assessing the emergency regulations and the implications for the district's Water Conservation and Dry Year Water Use Reduction Program and presenting recommendations to the BCPUD Board of Directors at its regularly scheduled meeting on August 20, 2014 beginning at 7:30 p.m. We invite you to attend this important meeting and look forward to seeing you there. Please call us at 868-1224 if you have any questions or would like more information about the state's emergency water conservation regulations.

Thank you very much for everything you are doing to reduce your water consumption and please keep up the good work!

Very truly yours,

Jennifer Blackman
General Manager