

I'm in favor of a tiered water conservation schedule requiring those cities using excessive amounts of water to be required to cut usage by 35%. Unfortunately, there are cities in CA such as Sacramento and Fresno that do not have residential water meters. I have relatives that live in Clovis (next to Fresno) who have been required for some time to severely cut their residential water usage. I'm in favor of mandatory water rationing and cities need to require a maximum of two days a week to water (we only water once a week during the summer and it is adequate).

We removed our two lawns for mulch covering and it has made a significant drop in water usage. For over fifty years we have worked to conserve this precious resource by doing only full loads of laundry (front loader washer with low water volume used), low-volume toilets (collecting water in a basin & bucket when waiting to warm up and using it to flush the toilet), and low-flow with shut-off valve showerhead. We're not suffering from these steps and it is a way of life that Californians need to adjust to the fact that we cannot continue to waste water.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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