

WATER ALLOCATIONS

In response to the ongoing water supply shortage, the San Diego County Water Authority has announced they will continue with current limits on reduced water deliveries for the coming water year. That means water allocations remain in effect at least until June 2011.

Although the state water outlook is a bit brighter than past years, water system operators across the state are worried that reservoirs on both the Colorado River System and State Water Project have dropped too low leaving the state's water supply vulnerable if the drought continues. Accordingly, they are using the slight surplus that currently exists to put water back into the reservoirs.

UPDATE FOR SAWR AND IAWP CUSTOMERS

If you are a customer in the Special Agricultural Water Rate or Interim Agricultural Water Program the rules for those rate classes will be changing soon.

In the next few months we will be asking you to decide whether or not you want to stay in the programs for another year, or opt out and become a domestic customer. We will be providing you information in coming newsletters that will help you make your decision, so please make sure to read the newsletters!

**** REMEMBER ****

JULY STARTED NEW WATER ALLOCATIONS FOR SAWR AND DOMESTIC CUSTOMERS

As a reminder, if you are in the domestic water or Special Agricultural Water Rate (SAWR) user classes, the month of July started your new water allocation cycle. Customers in the Interim Agricultural Water Program (IAWP) are on a January through December cycle and are not affected.

That means domestic and SAWR customers received their new water allocation starting with their July water bills. Any unused allocation from the June bill did not roll over into the new water year. If you want to use our "smoothing option" to reallocate your water allocation again this year you will need to fill out a new form.

Please contact Customer Service and request a "Smoothing Option" form at (760)728-1178.

HAVING TROUBLE MEETING YOUR ALLOCATION?

Have you tried your best but still have a hard time meeting your target allocation? We realize some of you have unusual circumstances that may warrant increased water use.

If you think that applies to your situation please call our customer service staff and see if we can help modify your water allocation.

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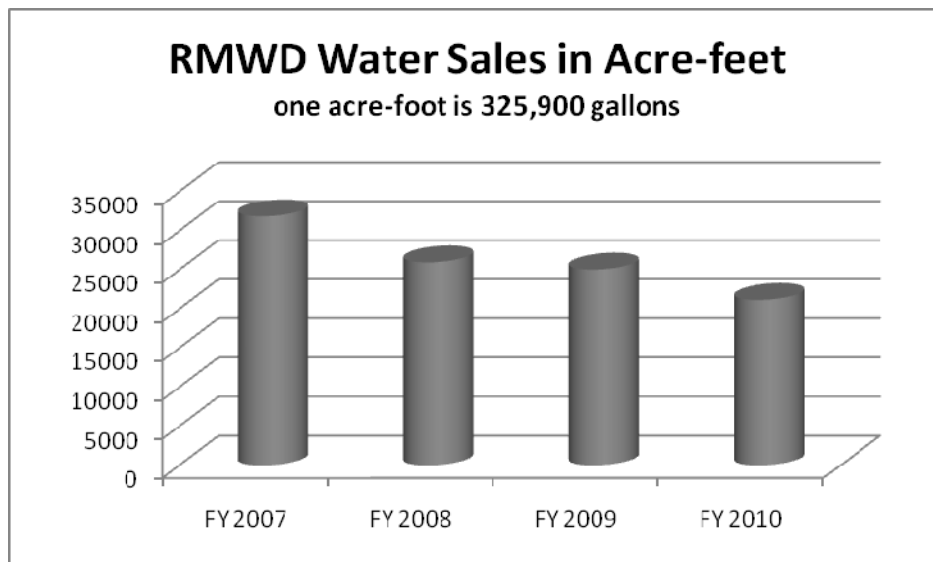
HEALTH DEPARTMENT COMPLIANCE ORDER

On March 19th the State of California Department of Public Health Services (CDPHS) issued RMWD a **Compliance Order for Noncompliance** because of our open-air drinking water storage reservoirs. If you would like to read the order, a copy is available on our web site.

Also, if you would like to see pictures of the construction projects to cover both North and Northside Reservoirs, please visit the RMWD Engineering Department photo album on our website at www.rainbowmwd.com, click on "**Engineering Services**" and then select "**Reservoir Construction Photos**".

WATER USE IN THE REGION DOWN 12.4 PERCENT

As a result of mandatory water allocations water use in the San Diego region is down a total of 12.4 percent from fiscal year 2009 to fiscal year 2010. Rainbow saved even more water as our overall reduction was 15.4 percent. Keep in mind though that many of our agricultural customers have been under water allocations since 2008, so our actual savings is much greater. If you compare water use in fiscal year 2010 to fiscal year 2007 our water use is down a whopping 30 percent!



RMWD COMMITTEE VACANCIES

RMWD is currently seeking one new community volunteer to fill vacancies on both its Communications Committee and Budget and Finance Committee, respectively.

The Communications Committee is responsible for matters of internal and external communications including: positive public image; positive staff relationships; community outreach; media relations; water conservation programs; intergovernmental relations; and other public relations programs. The Budget and Finance Committee is responsible for the review of District finances including: rates, fees, charges and other sources of revenue; budget; audit; investments; insurance; and other financial matters.

If you are interested in volunteering to serve any one of the three RMWD Committees, please contact Dawn Washburn at (760) 728-1178 Ext. 129.