

# Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO)

## Expedited Revisions Relevant to the Drought Executive Order

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# Executive Order B-29-15

## Directive # 11

### State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance

The Department shall update the State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance through expedited regulation.

- **more efficient irrigation systems**
- **greywater usage**
- **onsite storm water capture**
- **limiting the portion of landscapes that can be covered in turf**

# Directive # 11, cont.

## State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance

- Local agencies report on the **implementation and enforcement of local ordinances**
- reports due by December 31, 2015.
- DWR shall provide information on local compliance to the Water Board
- DWR shall provide technical assistance and give priority in grant funding to public agencies

Receive input from stakeholders	through May
Draft model ordinance	mid-June
Public draft release	June 12
Public meetings	
-southern California	June 16
-northern California	June 19
California Water Commission	July 15
Adopt model ordinance	mid-July
Local enforcement begins	November 1

*schedule*

# Anticipated Savings:

- 30% reduction on residential landscaping (from 0.7 to 0.5 ETAF)
  - Average home 16,000gallon/year
- 40% reduction on non-residential (from 0.7 to 0.4 ETAF)
- More landscapes applicable-cumulative savings
- Smart planning use of turf and irrigation equipment

# Benefits

- Healthy Soils
- Rainwater retention
- Improved air and water quality
- Habitat preservation and creation
- Less water waste and green waste
- More carbon storage
- Drought resistant landscapes

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