



# Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance Reporting Form

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1a	<b>Is your agency adopting a single agency ordinance OR a regional agency alliance ordinance?</b>	▼
1b	<b>Date of adoption OR anticipated adoption:</b>	
2a	<b>Reporting period:</b>	
2b	<b>December 1, 2015 through December 28, 2015 (all agencies)</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
2c	<b>February 1, 2016 through February 28, 2016 (additional reporting period for agencies crafting regional ordinances with other agencies)</b>	<input type="radio"/>
3a	<b>Are you using:</b>	the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELo) ▼
3b	<b>For agencies who have adopted a modified WELO</b>	
3c	<b>Is it at least as efficient as MWELo?</b>	▼
3d	<b>URL for your WELO</b>	
3e	<b>List major changes from the State's MWELo</b>	
3f	<b>If specific types of projects are exempt (other than those already specified in MWELo), state what they are and the sections of the ordinance that they are exempt from.</b>	
3g	<b>Have elements from other regulations been incorporated (e.g., tree shading percent coverage requirement, stormwater capture requirements).</b>	▼
3h	<b>If yes, describe:</b>	
4	<b>If other agencies are implementing the ordinance, explain their role:</b>	N/A
5	<b>Permitted projects subject to the ordinance during the reporting period (*e.g., single family residences, commercial projects, landscape retrofits for which permits were finalized during the reporting period, etc.):</b>	single family residences
6a	<b>Total landscape area subject to the ordinance over the reporting period:</b>	13,736.0
6b	<b>Unit of Measure (sq. ft. or acres)</b>	Square Feet ▼



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7a	<b>During the reporting period, how many of the following types of projects did your agency issue final permits on:</b>	
7b	<b>new housing starts</b>	-
7c	<b>new commercial projects</b>	-
7d	<b>landscape retrofits</b>	-
8	<b>Describe the procedure for review of projects subject to the ordinance:</b>	Projects with applicable amount of new or retrofitted landscapes must submit a landscape plan at the time of design review. Condition of approval for any project meeting the threshold is issued stating that the requirements of WELO must be met in order to apply for a building permit/have building permit finalized. Building Inspector and Parks and Project manager review landscape and irrigation plans and worksheets to determine if the project is compliant. Compliance is checked in-person during building inspection process.
9a	<b>Describe actions taken to verify compliance:</b>	See above.
9b	<b>Is a plan check performed?</b>	Yes <input type="button" value="▼"/>
9c	<b>If so, by what entity?</b>	Planning Department and Building Inspection
10	<b>Describe implementation and enforcement measures:</b>	Projects that fail to comply with WELO will have the same ramifications of other projects that do not comply with building code - project can not be finalized and other permits may not be issued until infraction has been corrected.
11	<b>Explain challenges to implementing and enforcing the ordinance:</b>	It is simple to track projects that must comply with WELO, but given that the City of Piedmont does not regulate landscape, there is no means to track large landscape projects that do not require design review or a building permit. Additionally, even for projects submitting landscape plans as part of their projects, there is no tracking mechanism in place to record all landscape being submitted, i.e. tracking how many projects are not applicable. Since the state reporting requirements will ask for all landscape and WELO applicable landscapes, Piedmont has not yet set up a system to track the former.
12	<b>Describe educational and other needs to properly apply the ordinance:</b>	Many landscape architects have questions about special landscape areas, pools, and exactly what counts as rehabilitated landscape. Additionally, a functional calculator worksheet for them to use when performing calculations that is easily available on the internet would be very helpful.
13	<b>Additional Comments:</b>	While no projects were finalized during the reporting period, 3 were approved and applied for building permits, the total landscape area for which is reported above.

[Please submit reports, including a copy of your local water efficient landscape ordinance, via email to WELO@water.ca.gov by December 31, 2015. Agencies preparing a regional ordinance must submit an additional report by March 1, 2016. For questions, please call Ms. Julie Saare-Edmonds at \(916\) 651-9676.](mailto:WELO@water.ca.gov)