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PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT INDOOR WATER CONSERVATION REBATES FIND A LITTLE HELP

Thanks to our dedicated residents and individuals who are truly concerned about conserving our community's resources, our Cash for Grass Program has reached its highest potential. We are proud to report that many of our residents have taken advantage of our lawn removal incentive.

For the year 2015, $236,000 was allocated for all rebate programs offered by the District. In four months' time, $231,167.00 has been committed in Cash for Grass funds alone, leaving little room to continue offering any rebates to the community.

"We are grateful for the willingness of our residents whom participated in our programs," said Gloria Dizmang, Director of the Palmdale Water Board. "We understand the great sacrifices our community continues to make by removing their lawns which many take great pride in maintaining, to help conserve our community's resources."

The state mandated 25% reduction in water usage throughout California is needed to ensure long-term water reliability for years to come. Each water District achieves this mandate by whatever means they feel is best for their communities.

As the popularity of the Cash for Grass Program has grown, the funding for its implementation has been used quickly and the District is no longer accepting applications. However, the program is being altered to an incentive conservation based approach, rather than through an assessment of the quality of the lawn. Residents who are interested in participating will fill out an application, in the coming weeks, and be put on a waiting list until new funding becomes available.

Last evening, the Board of Directors approved a $14,000 transfer of funds back into the exhausted rebate budget to continue assisting the community with the purchase of indoor water saving appliances.

"It is our highest priority to provide effective solutions to assist those individuals who are doing their part to conserve our community's resources," said Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager of the Palmdale Water District. "Only as a community we are able to achieve what is necessary during these difficult times. Palmdale Water would like to thank its customers for their continued efforts and encourage them to keep conserving."

For more information regarding the Palmdale Water District's rebate options, please visit www.palmdalewater.org

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