Design Sketch of Proposed Landscape Plan

GUIDELINES:

Submit a simple sketch of your proposed landscape design with your application. Include all materials being used in the renovation.

1 Identify new and existing plants, including ground cover. (A symbol key may be helpful.)
2. Identify new or modified irrigation system (drip, bubblers, or point irrigation) in your design.
3. Show any existing or proposed walkways, including sitting areas and/or patios.



The Palmdale Water District (PWD) is offering property owners a cash rebate to remove any grass and/or convert their front yard to a water-wise, drought friendly, xeriscape landscape. Funding is limited. Applications will be processed in the order they are received while funding is available.

PLEASE NOTE:

- APPLICANT IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR CONVERSION WORK.
- THE REBATE SERVES AS AN INCENTIVE AND DOES NOT COVER THE COMPLETE COST OF A LANDSCAPE CONVERSION.
- DO NOT START YOUR CONVERSION PROJECT UNTIL YOU RECEIVE A "NOTICE TO PROCEED" LETTER. *(If you begin or complete your project prior to receiveing approval, you are not eligible for a rebate.)*

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Read the Program Terms and Conditions; complete and sign the application form.
2. Complete the design sketch of the proposed landscape on the back of the application.
3. Complete and fill in the plant coverage worksheet and submit it with your application. Incomplete applications will not be considered and will be returned to the applicant by mail.
4. Once PWD receives the complete application package, a PWD representative will conduct a pre-inspection to measure the conversion area. No appointments will be made, unless access to the property is restricted or locked by a gate. A "Notice to Proceed" letter will be sent to you by mail once the application has been approved.
5. Sign and return the Notice to Proceed letter within ten (10) business days to stay qualified for the rebate.
6. Complete your project within one hundred twenty (120) calendar days. Projects not completed within the 120 calendar days will lose the rebate qualification.
7. Verify you have fulfilled the program requirements listed under the Program Guidelines.
8. Call the District's Conservation Department at *(661) 947-4111 ext. 5002* when you are finished with your conversion project for a final post inspection.
9. Rebate checks will be mailed appoximately six weeks after the final inspection and approval.

PROGRAM TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Applicants receiving funding through the Water-wise Landscape Conversion Program must abide by the following guidelines as a condition for receiving a rebate. PWD may at any time, over the course of the program without prior written notice or otherwise; modify, suspend,or terminate the rebate amounts and program requirements.

Program Terms

- Applicant must have a PWD water service account.
- Applicant must sign that they have read, understand, and agree to the program terms.
- Applicant must keep and maintain water-wise landscape in place for five (5) years.
- Rebate checks will be issued to the applicant after meeting project guidelines and passing the final inspection.
- Applicant shall permit PWD access to the project site to complete pre-conversion and post-conversion inspections; measure square footage of conversion area; test irrigation efficiency; and obtain before and after photos.
- No retroactive or increased rebate amounts will be provided.

REBATE AMOUNTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

$1.50 per square foot standard rebate with a maximum award of $1,500 per household.

$0.50 per square foot for quick completion incentive with a maximum award of $500 per household.

(To qualify for the quick completion incentive, the conversion project must be completed and ready for inspection within forty-five (45) days from the date on the "Notice to Proceed" letter.)

Project Requirements

- A minimum of four hundred (400) square feet of grass or non-drought tolerant landscape must be removed.
- Applicant is solely responsible for performing or contracting out the conversion work.
- Replacement surfaces must be permeable to water and air. The converted landscape must be installed so that one hundred (100) percent of the area will be covered with materials such as plants, mulch, or permeable hardscape. Examples of permeable hardscape include decomposed granite, pavers, brick, or rock where no mortar or grout has been used. There can be no bare soil. Areas that are renovated with new grass or non-permeable hardscape will be discounted from the total of the square footage used to calculate the rebate.
- Existing irrigation systems must be capped off or modified to eliminate spray irrigation. Bubblers, drip and point irrigation are to be used as a conversion from spray irrigation.
- Drought tolerant plants must be added to the landscape to cover sixty (60) percent of the total square foot area measured. Please use the size of the plant at full maturity (height x width = plant value) in the worksheet. All plants must be on the City of Palmdale's approved list or from the booklet, "Plants for the California High Desert."
- Projects must be completed within one hundred twenty (120) days to receive rebates. Applications will be voided after 120 days from the date on the "Notice to Proceed" letter. No extensions will be granted.

Water-wise Landscape Conversion Program Application

_____ _____

APPLICANT NAME PWD WATER SERVICE ACCOUNT NUMBER

_____ PALMDALE, _____

SITE ADDRESS ZIP CODE

_____

MAILING ADDRESS

_____ _____

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER APPLICANT TAX ID NUMBER

☐ RESIDENTIAL ☐ MULTI-FAMILY ☐ COMMERCIAL

By signing below, the applicant acknowledges that Palmdale Water District ("PWD") does not make any representation or warranty regarding the conversion materials eligible under this Water-wise Landscape Conversion Program. Applicant releases and holds harmless PWD from and against any claims, injuries, loss, damage, expense and liability of any nature arising out of or in any way connected with converting the irrigation system or participating in the program.

By signing below, the applicant authorizes PWD, in its discretion and with no compensation to applicant, to publish, disseminate, and promote the program using pictures, videos, cost and water use data and other information and material from the applicant's project in program-related advertising, publicity and promotion through various media, including but not limited to videos, print and web.

I have read, understand and agree to the terms and conditions of this rebate program, including the foregoing releases.

_____ _____

Applicant's Signature Date