

DROUGHT WATCH

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IRWD customers have until January 31, 2016 to sign up to participate in the new drought tolerant landscape makeover contest. The three customers who save the most water between December 2015 and February 2016 will win free landscape makeovers valued up to \$6,500. Signing up only takes a few minutes. Contest details at irwd.com/contest.

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Color Your World with Drought Friendly Landscaping

IRWD now offers two different ways for you to remove your grass lawn and replace it with a beautiful, drought friendly landscape!

1 The Do-It-Yourself Program – This is the original turf removal rebate program. IRWD provides a rebate of \$2 per square foot of turf removed, up to a maximum of 3,000 square feet. More details are online at rightscapenow.com/turf.

2 The “Turn-Key” Program – This new program gives customers the option of using a professional landscape design company to do all of the turf removal and landscape installation work for them, from start to finish. Net cost is \$3 per square foot. To learn more about this program, visit rightscapenow.com/turnkeyturf.



2016 Water is Life Winner



Jana Ibrahim's poster has been published in the 2016 Water is Life calendar. Jana was a first grader at Westpark Elementary in Irvine when her poster was named as one of five finalists to be sent to the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California for regional judging. Her poster, along with the 35 other winners, will be on display in the IRWD lobby later this year.

Save Water and Money in the New Year

Even though the holiday season has come and gone, you can still give yourself or a loved one a gift that will save water and put cash back in your pocket.

IRWD provides rebates on many water-saving items:

- **High efficiency clothes washers** (\$250 per washer)
- **High efficiency toilets** (\$150 per toilet)
- **Turf removal** (\$2 per square foot)
- **Weather-based irrigation controllers** (\$120 per controller)
- **Rotating spray nozzles** (\$2 per nozzle)
- **Moisture sensors** (\$80 per sensor)
- **Rain barrels** (\$75 per barrel)



Make the gardener in your family happy, and help with your New Year's resolution to save water in 2016!

Check out our RightScope website at rightscapenow.com/rebates for more information.

Biosolids Facility Work Continues

A crane places a stainless steel cap on top of one of three egg-shaped digester domes, a major component of IRWD's Biosolids and Energy Recovery Facility in Irvine. The facility is located at the District's Michelson Water Recycling Plant in Irvine. For more information on the Biosolids and other IRWD projects, visit irwd.com/construction/construction-projects.

Spring Resident Tour Dates Announced

Join IRWD at one of our spring resident tours and learn about the recycled water process, the journey of your drinking water, watershed stewardship and water use efficiency. These free tours are offered to residents who live or work within the IRWD service boundaries.

Spring Tours have been scheduled for the following dates:

Friday, April 29 • Saturday, April 30 • Saturday, May 14

Tours begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at approximately 1 p.m.

Tour itinerary includes:

- Lab demonstration
- Walk through of the expanded Michelson Water Recycling Plant
- Bus trip to the San Joaquin Reservoir
- Lunch and a tour of the San Joaquin Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary

Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis. Attendees must be 16 years of age or older.

Register online at irwd.com/learning/tours.



Save the Date

Rainwater Harvesting Workshops and Rebate Events



Saturday, January 16
8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
The Home Depot
20021 Lake Forest Rd.
Lake Forest

Saturday, January 23
8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
The Home Depot
6200 Irvine Blvd.
Irvine

Winter Gardening Workshop: Preparing Your Landscape for Spring and Summer

Wednesday, January 13
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Irvine Ranch Water District
Multi-Purpose Room
15600 Sand Canyon Ave.
Irvine

Sign up at rightscapenow.com/events.

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