

City Beat

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WATER SHOULD BE CLEAR, BUT NOT INVISIBLE.

In the United States, many of us take water for granted. There are millions of people around the world who lack access to clean water and basic sanitation, while we simply have to turn on the tap or flush the toilet. We forget that without clean water, **OUR HEALTH**, and our quality of life is at risk.

We forget about the vast infrastructure beneath our feet and the tireless dedication of water professionals who work day and night to keep our water clean. It's time we show **OUR RESPECT** for water and the men and women who provide these essential services.

We must increase **OUR EFFORT** in keeping our water safe and show **OUR PASSION** for the indispensable resource that our lives and **OUR FUTURE** depend on. Every aspect of our lives is directly connected to water and we must learn to value it. We all use water and we are all responsible for it.

Our voice, our thoughts, and our actions are crucial to sustaining the quality of life that water provides.

Be as good to water as water's been to you.

WATER'S WORTH IT

To learn more, visit www.WatersWorthIt.org.

MODESTO'S WATER SYSTEM Q&A



How much do we use?

We use nearly 22 billion gallons annually.

Where does it come from?

About 50% of our water comes as surface water from the Sierra Nevada that fills Don Pedro Reservoir. The other 50% comes from groundwater beneath our community through water wells.

Why should we conserve?

There is a growing need for clean water in our valley. Nature's supply of rain and snow is not consistent and needs to be respected and used sparingly. Our ground and stored water takes years to replenish as we use it. Some other areas have also experienced contamination by man and nature, which restricts our ability to use it. There is never an endless supply of ground and surface water.

How is water used in our community?

- 40% is used indoors
- 60% is used outdoors
- 810 gallons is used per day per household
- Most of our water is used in June, July, & August

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Web Site
www.modestogov.com/pwd
click on Utilities, then click on the Water Services Division.



Strengthen and Replace Water Systems

As part of the part of the ongoing maintenance of the water system, the City replaces existing waterlines that have reached the end of their useful life. Among many other projects, this past year the City focused on an older area in South Modesto. This project is scheduled for completion by July 2012. At an estimated cost of 2 million dollars, this project included installing 14,611 feet of new larger plastic water mains, 21 new fire hydrants and 229 upgraded services with meters to existing customers.

This project is a great benefit to those customers because it provides better fire flow protection in the area and improves water quality due to the use of plastic pipes. This project will benefit all water customers because it prevents costly leak repairs and helps conserve water.



MODESTO CITY-COUNTY AIRPORT

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Year-round *watering schedule* for City of Modesto customers.

	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
IF YOUR ADDRESS IS...	ODD	DO NOT WATER	EVEN	ODD	EVEN	ODD	EVEN
MIDNIGHT TO NOON	WATER		WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER
NOON – 7:00 PM			DO NOT WATER				
7:00 PM – MIDNIGHT	WATER		WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER

ODD NUMBERED ADDRESSES END IN 1, 3, 5, 7, 9
EVEN NUMBERED ADDRESSES END IN 0, 2, 4, 6, 8

For more information or to report water waste, call (209) 342-2246.

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