



Governor's Mandate to Reduce Water Use

After four years of severe drought, the Governor of California issued new water restrictions for residents and businesses, with potential fines of up to \$500 per infraction. The State also mandated water reduction goals for each city. Most cities must cut their 2015 water use by 25% of what they used in 2013. The City of Watsonville is mandated to cut water use by 20%.

Last year, residents and businesses cut water use by 12%. We need to maintain that 2014 reduction *and* cut another 8% to meet the 20% requirement this year.

We must all follow these State requirements:

DO NOT water during or 48 hours after any rainfall.
DO NOT wash sidewalks, driveways or parking lots.
DO NOT allow water to run off your property.
DO NOT wash your car *unless* the hose is fitted with a shut-off nozzle. Use nozzle on all hoses.

DO NOT use sprinklers more than twice a week for 15 minutes and only before 9 am or after 5 pm. Odd-numbered houses may water Wednesdays/Saturdays and even-numbered homes may water Thursdays/Sundays.

DO report water waste to 768-3133 or waterwaste@cityofwatsonville.org.

Let's re-think outdoor water use. Start today:

- Request a free Landscape Water Conservation Consultation.
- Use the City's new lawn replacement rebate program.
- Use the Water Smart Garden tool on watersavingtips.org to redesign your yard.
- Do your part to meet the 20% water reduction goal.

For more information visit www.cityofwatsonville.org or call Customer Service at 768-3133 Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-5:30 pm.



Keeping Up with Watsonville

Is your home in need of repairs? The City's Housing Rehabilitation Program may be able to help. Call Laurie at 768-3099 or Fabian at 768-3105.

Are you interested in purchasing a home? The City's Homebuyer Assistance Program may help low income buyers purchase a home. Call Laurie at 768-3099 or Karina at 768-3094.

Spirit of Watsonville 4th of July Parade: Saturday, July 4th parade begins at 2:00 p.m. in Downtown Watsonville

Business Licenses

Anyone conducting business in the City of Watsonville is required to have a business license. This applies to any business that operates in the City, whether their office is located in the City or not. The City has contracted with Muni-Services to audit existing businesses in Watsonville to enforce the business license requirement. If you have been contacted by Muni-Services, you must comply with their instructions and submit your information to them directly. **For more information call 768-3455.**



Building Permits

The Community Development Department has over-the-counter hours on Wednesdays from 7:30-11:00 am, in which small projects such as those listed below can be reviewed and approved by Planning, Building, and Fire conveniently at the same time.

Building Permits are required for:

- **Water Heaters/Furnaces:** Installation or replacement of water heaters and/or furnaces.
- **Small Plumbing Projects:** When changing any plumbing under your sink, or changing the plumbing in your shower. A permit is not required to replace a toilet.
- **Small Electrical Projects:** When installing or moving lights, or installing or moving electrical outlets in your home.
- **Roofing:** When replacing or fixing a roof.
- **Additions:** A building permit and plans are required for any additions that add square footage or significantly alter the interior of the residence.

For more information call 768-3050 or visit www.cityofwatsonville.org.

Your City Directory

Police (Records)	768-3370
Mayor	768-3007
City Council	768-3008
City Manager	768-3010
Library (Main Branch)	768-3400
Parks & Community Services	768-3240
Permits	768-3050
Utility Bill Payments	768-3455
Water/Garbage	768-3133