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Spring 2022

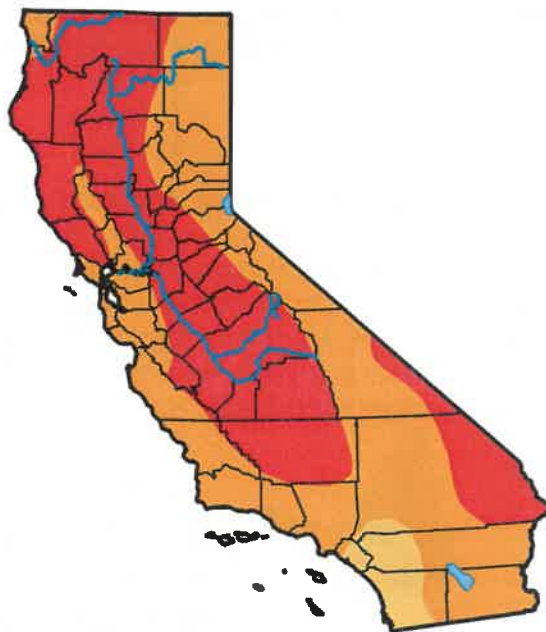
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CALIFORNIA DROUGHT CONDITIONS

California will always face drought conditions with less than average rainfall four out of every five years. When snow pack and rainfall is above average it is captured in reservoirs throughout the state and stored for later usage when drought conditions exist. Snow pack levels have been below average over the past two years. Snow pack is a means to store water for the future in the mountains. Once the snow melts it can be stored in reservoirs having traveled through California's waterways. In addition, rainfall statewide has been below historical averages. See map below which reflects much of the State of California in severe to extreme drought conditions. Currently, reservoirs are below average levels compared to last year during the same month.

Consequently, the Governor signed an Executive Order to call on Californians to voluntarily reduce their water use by 15 percent compared to 2020 levels.

U.S. Drought Monitor-California April 12, 2022 (Released Thursday, Apr. 14, 2022)



Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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STATEWIDE SNOWPACK FALLS WELL BELOW AVERAGE

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) conducted the fourth snow survey of the season at Phillips Station on April 1st. Following a January, February, and March that will enter records as the driest documented in state history, the manual survey recorded 2.5 inches of snow depth and a snow water equivalent of 1 inch, which is 38% of average for this location for April. Regionally, the Northern, Central, and Southern Sierra snowpacks are all standing just above 28% to 43% of average for this date, impacting watersheds across the state.

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REDUCE WATER USE BY 15% COMPARED TO 2020

In response to the current drought condition affecting the entire State of California, the District asks that you find ways to reduce your water use. Below are some recommended actions as we enter the dry spring and summer seasons:

- Reduce landscape irrigation
- Monitor sprinkler heads, replace when broken and direct to landscape
- Take shorter showers
- Run dishwasher and washing machines only when full
- Locate and fix leaks
- Install water efficient showerheads/toilets/faucet aerators
- Smart irrigation controls



Check the District's website at lhcwd.com: conservation: conservation links to find more ways to reduce water use.

To find your 2020 usage by month you can visit the customer web portal which can be accessed through the District website. It is located on the front page of the website by clicking the blue box labeled "Pay & View Bill". To gain access to your usage for those who have not used the portal, creation of a user name and password are necessary. If you need assistance with this please contact us at 562-697-6769.

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF SERVICE

The General Manager of the District, Mike Gualtieri, celebrates 40 years of service to the water industry. Having spent his entire 40 years at the District he has become a leader in the industry by serving as Director on the Central Basin Municipal Water District. He has also served for American Water Works Association (AWWA) as Conference Director for 15 years. Earning the George A. Elliott Memorial AWWA award for serving in this position. He started with the District as a Utility worker then moved up through the years to become the General Manager for the past 20 years.



Mission of the District

To provide high quality potable water service at a reasonable cost to the public residing within the District boundaries.

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