

WHAT DO EVMWD'S NEW WATER BUDGETS MEAN FOR YOU?

Background

Like other water agencies across California, EVMWD is faced with dwindling water supplies and rising costs as the state endures its third year of drought. EVMWD and many other agencies are adopting new water budgets designed to manage the state's precious water supply and encourage customers to conserve water.

What are Water Budgets?

A water budget is a monthly amount of water allocated to you for efficient indoor and outdoor uses at your property. Just as you budget your finances, a water budget gives you a monthly target so you can be most efficient with the water that you use. Customers will get an indoor and outdoor budget, adjusted seasonally.

Customers with more family members and larger properties will be able to apply for a variance to their water budget to ensure they are being charged fairly. For more information, go to www.evmwd.com/conservation.

Why use Water Budgets?

Rate structures using water budgets are a very fair way to encourage efficient water use and discourage water waste. In simple terms, those who use water efficiently both indoors and outdoors -- those who stay within their budget -- will pay less than customers who are inefficient or wasteful.

Meet Elsinore Eddie



Elsinore Eddie is a typical customer of EVMWD. His yard is well-kept with grass, shrubs and a section of native plants. The size of the area he waters is about 4,700 square feet or about 60% of his property.

The Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District knows Elsinore Eddie needs enough water to care for his family of four and landscaping, so the district has designed a new rate structure that will provide plenty of water for both and encourage efficiency at the same time. Basically, Eddie and EVMWD customers who use water efficiently, both indoors and outdoors, will pay the lowest rates.

Water Use	Existing Tiers	Summer / Winter Budgets* & Rates per			
Block 1: Low Volume Dis-	Tier 1: 1-5 CCF	1.0 - 9.6 CCF	1.0 - 9.6 CCF	\$1.74	
Block 2: Conservation Base	Tier 2: 6-20 CCF	9.7 - 26.2 CCF	9.7 - 17.1 CCF	\$ 2.32	Conservation Budget
Block 3: Inefficient Use 2x	Tier 3: 21-40 CCF	26.3 - 43 CCF	17.2 - 24.6 CCF	\$ 4.64	Higher rates for excessive!
Block 4: Excessive Use 3x	Tier 4: 41-100 CCF	43.1 - 59.7 CCF	24.7 - 32.1 CCF	\$ 6.96	
Block 5: Wasteful 4x Base	Tier 5: 101+ CCF	59.7+ CCF	32.1+ CCF	\$ 9.28	

1 CCF = 748 Gallons
*Blocks reflect average allocation. Actual allocations are based on property size and weather data.

Summer rates are in effect May through September; winter rates are in effect October through April.

These numbers are based on the average EVMWD customer, Elsinore Eddie. Like nearly 20,000 other customers, his home sits on a parcel that is .18 acres or about 7,840 square feet.