



Dublin San Ramon Services District

Water, wastewater, recycled water

DSRSD Pipeline

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Spring is here! 🌸 Now is the time to practice outdoor water efficiency.

Limited Water Supply Available



The South Bay Aqueduct delivers water to the Tri-Valley from the State Water Project.

Following a historically dry January and February, California’s snowpack and reservoir levels remain below average as the severe drought continues.

Why it matters: The California Department of Water Resources announced in March the State Water Project (SWP) allocation was being reduced to 5% of requested supplies.

- The Tri-Valley relies on Zone 7 Water Agency to import about 70% of the total water supply from the SWP during typical years.
- Zone 7 plans for dry years, and is now relying heavily on the groundwater basin—but that supply can only stretch so far.

Go deeper: [Read the joint news release](#) from Zone 7 and water retailers DSRSD, the cities of Pleasanton and Livermore, and California Water Service.

Irrigation Technique: Water Only 3 Days per Week



Be sure to check irrigation and fix leaking valves and broken sprinklers.

Practicing water efficiency outdoors is one of the best ways we can weather the drought. 💧

DSRSD Water Shortage Regulations:

- Limit outdoor irrigation to no more than three non-consecutive days per week
- Water outside between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. to reduce evaporation
- Skip irrigating during rain and for 48 hours after

Conservation is key: Learn all of the [drought water-use rules](#) on the DSRSD website.

Drug Take-Back Event



Never dispose of medications in the sink or toilet.

Clean out your medicine cabinet and safely dispose of expired and unused medications.

Why it matters: Wastewater treatment does not completely remove drugs, and traces can end up in the San Francisco Bay. Protect our waterways—never flush medications. 🚫🚽

Free Drug Drop-Off Event: From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 30, Dublin Police Services is hosting a drug take-back event in the Dublin Civic Center parking lot at 100 Civic Plaza, Dublin.

- **Accepted:** capsules, pills, and all other solid forms of prescription medications—no questions asked.
- **Not accepted:** syringes, liquids, creams, and injectables.

Learn more about [safe drug disposal](#) methods and nearby locations.

Scholarships in Water, Engineering & Related Studies



CASA scholarships help students focus more on their studies and less on expenses.

Undergraduate students can apply by May 15 to be considered for a California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA) scholarship.

Why it matters: DSRSD contributes to the CASA Education Foundation, which awards scholarships to students seeking degrees in public administration, environmental science, engineering, natural and water resources, resource economics, and wastewater operations certification.

🎓 Learn more about [CASA scholarships](#) and how to apply.

WaterSense Game for Kids (& Adults!)



Make a splash testing your water-efficiency knowledge with this game by the US Environmental Protection Agency’s WaterSense program.

Thirsty for knowledge? Kids can learn simple ways to save water, then put their newfound knowledge to the test. Move “Flo” the water droplet through pipes as you encounter water-wasting monsters.

💧 [Test the gaming waters!](#)

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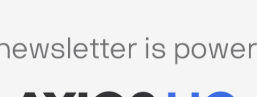
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