

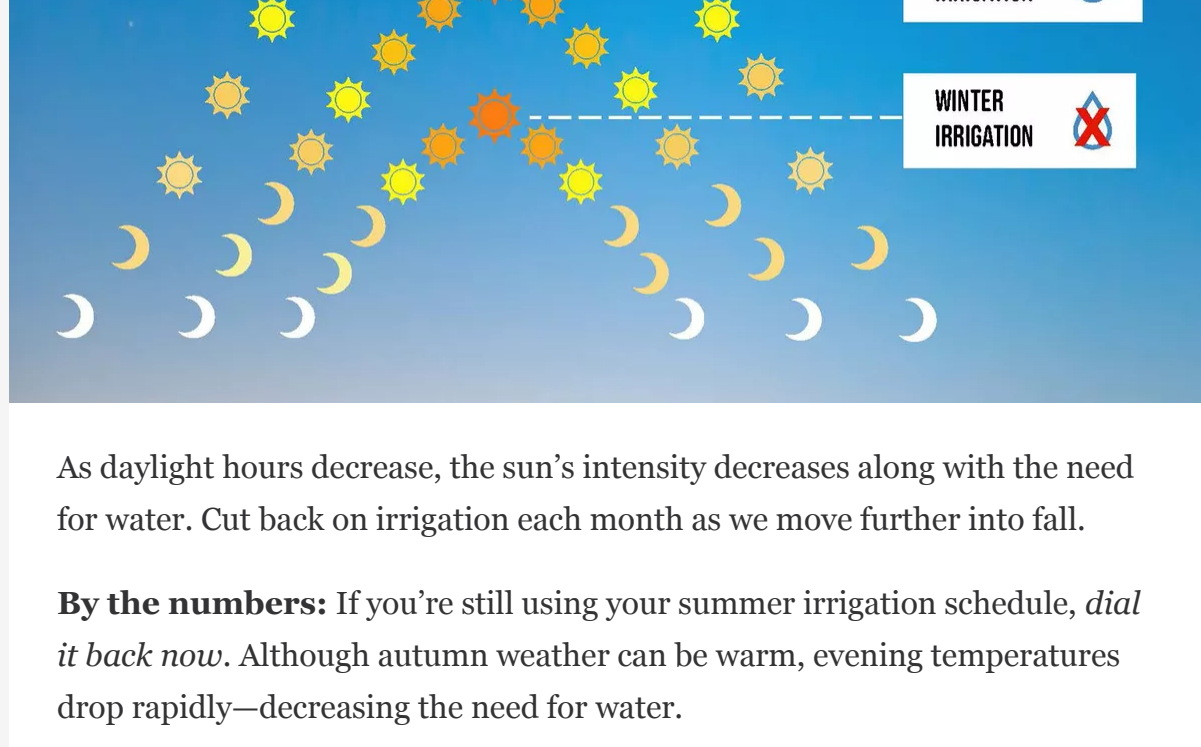


# DSRSD Pipeline

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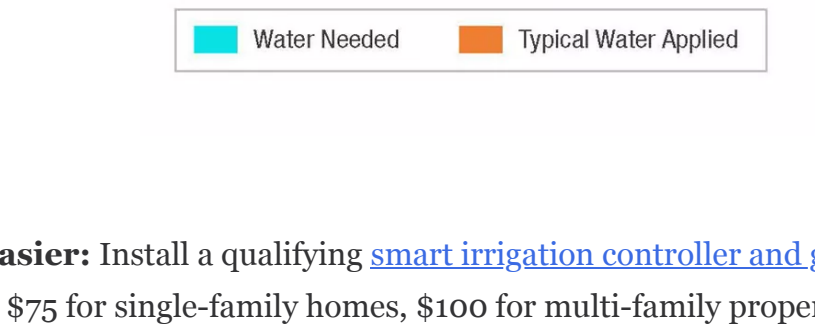
Spooky season is here! 🎃 Make sure to adjust your fall watering schedule with the season.

## Shorter days = shorter irrigation



As daylight hours decrease, the sun's intensity decreases along with the need for water. Cut back on irrigation each month as we move further into fall.

**By the numbers:** If you're still using your summer irrigation schedule, *dial it back now*. Although autumn weather can be warm, evening temperatures drop rapidly—decreasing the need for water.



**Even easier:** Install a qualifying [smart irrigation controller](#) and get a rebate of up to \$75 for single-family homes, \$100 for multi-family properties, or \$3,000 for commercial properties.

**Smart controllers self-adjust** based on local weather data and/or soil moisture readings. Save money, save water, and reduce the hassle of adjusting your controller.

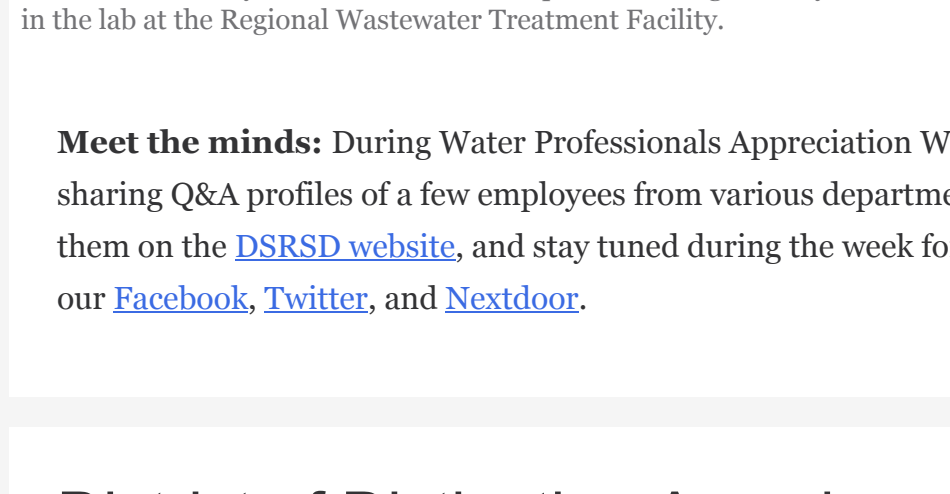
## Celebrating essential workers



October 1 to 9, 2022, marks California's sixth annual Water Professionals Appreciation Week. 🌊

**Why it matters:** This week offers the opportunity to highlight the essential role of water professionals and local public water agencies in providing water and wastewater services.

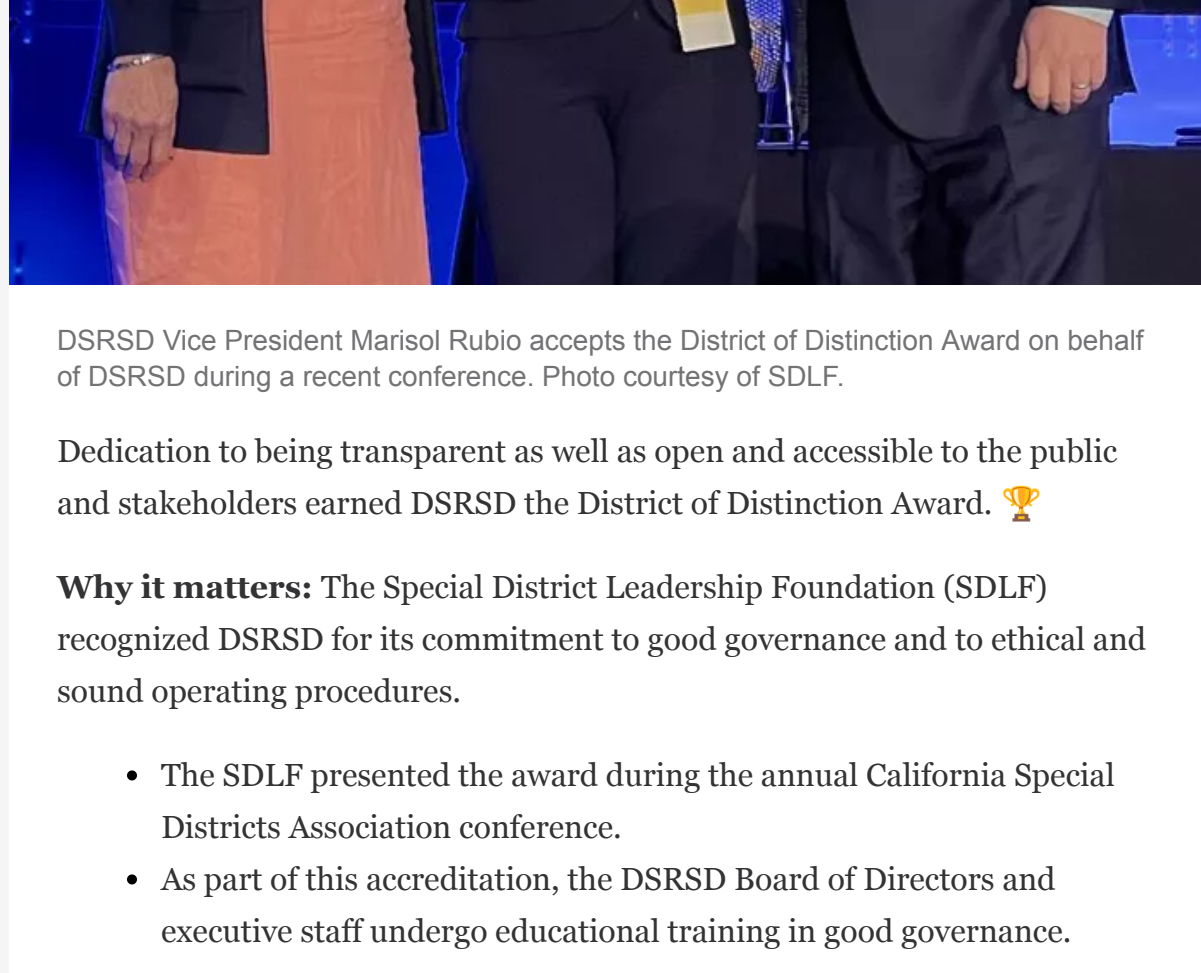
**DSRSD's dedicated staff** are on the job 24/7/365 to ensure safe and reliable water and wastewater services for our customers. Now more than ever, amidst a drought and recent pandemic, DSRSD is proud to share the important role our workers play in the community.



DSRSD Laboratory & Environmental Compliance Manager Kristy Fournier in the lab at the Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility.

**Meet the minds:** During Water Professionals Appreciation Week, we'll be sharing Q&A profiles of a few employees from various departments. Read them on the [DSRSD website](#), and stay tuned during the week for highlights on our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Nextdoor](#).

## District of Distinction Award



DSRSD Vice President Marisol Rubio accepts the District of Distinction Award on behalf of DSRSD during a recent conference. Photo courtesy of SDLF.

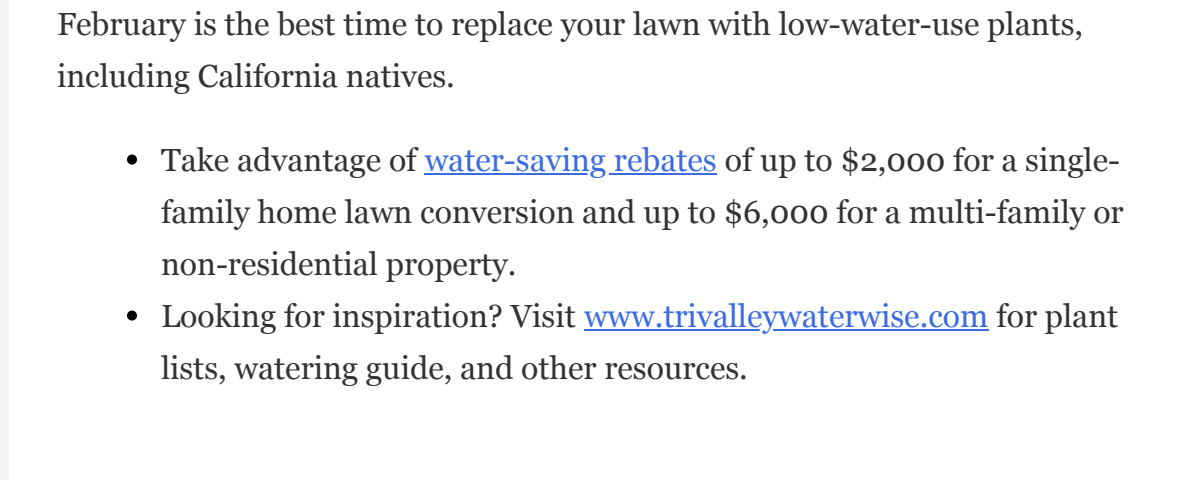
Dedication to being transparent as well as open and accessible to the public and stakeholders earned DSRSD the District of Distinction Award. 🏆

**Why it matters:** The Special District Leadership Foundation (SDLF) recognized DSRSD for its commitment to good governance and to ethical and sound operating procedures.

- The SDLF presented the award during the annual California Special Districts Association conference.
- As part of this accreditation, the DSRSD Board of Directors and executive staff undergo educational training in good governance.

**The DSRSD Board** and staff are proud to share this achievement reflecting our dedication to excellence in local government.

## Fall is the time for water-wise plants

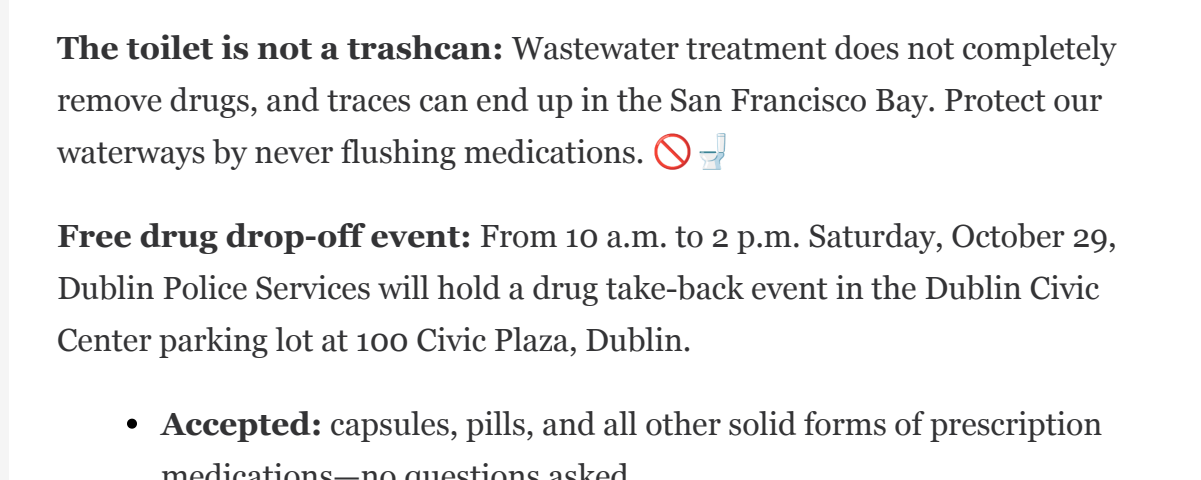


As the drought continues, consider transforming your thirsty grass into a beautiful, water-wise landscape. 🌻

**Lose the lawn:** Autumn kicks off a great time of year to put in drought-tolerant plants. Cooler weather starting in September and running through February is the best time to replace your lawn with low-water-use plants, including California natives.

- Take advantage of [water-saving rebates](#) of up to \$2,000 for a single-family home lawn conversion and up to \$6,000 for a multi-family or non-residential property.
- Looking for inspiration? Visit [www.trivalleywaterwise.com](#) for plant lists, watering guide, and other resources.

## Safe drug disposal event Oct. 29



Never dispose of medications in the sink or toilet.

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

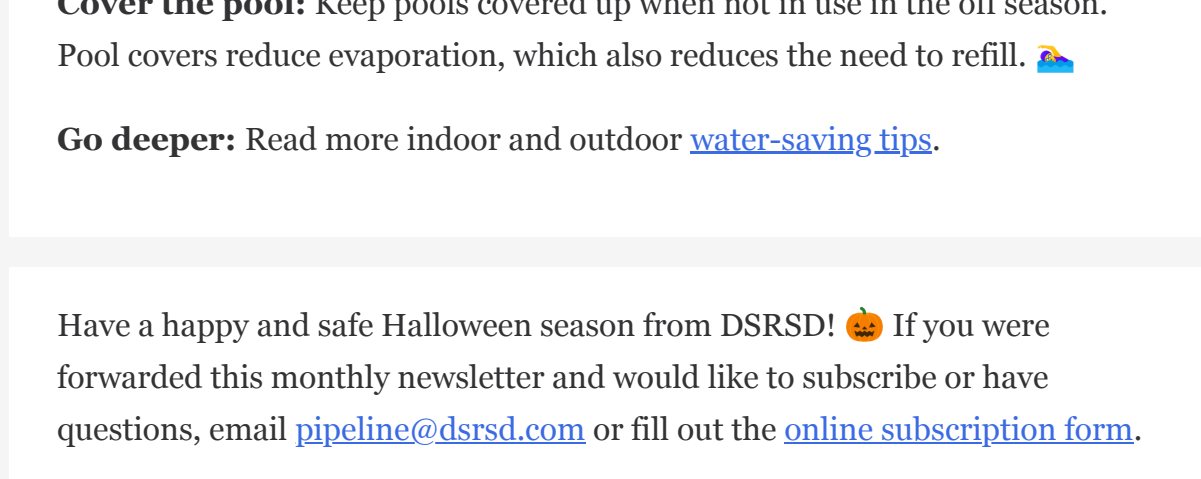
**The toilet is not a trashcan:** Wastewater treatment does not completely remove drugs, and traces can end up in the San Francisco Bay. Protect our waterways by never flushing medications. 🚫🚽

**Free drug drop-off event:** From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, October 29, Dublin Police Services will hold 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](#) options and nearby locations.

## Witchy ways to save water 🧹



Use a broom to clean driveways, sidewalks, and patios instead of a hose.

The summer watering season is over, but there are still many ways to save precious drinking water this Halloween season.

**Grab your broomstick:** Instead of hosing down driveways, sidewalks, and patios with water, use a broom to sweep off dust and autumn leaves. 🧹

**Let rain do the work:** As potential rain increases in fall, turn off irrigation during rain and within 48 hours of measurable rainfall. ☀️

**Cover the pool:** Keep pools covered up when not in use in the off season. Pool covers reduce evaporation, which also reduces the need to refill. 🏊

**Go deeper:** Read more indoor and outdoor [water-saving tips](#).

Have a happy and safe Halloween season from DSRSD! 🎃 If you were forwarded this monthly newsletter and would like to subscribe or have questions, email [pipeline@dsrd.com](mailto:pipeline@dsrd.com) or fill out the [online subscription form](#).

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