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**YLWD BOARD LIFTS STAGE 2 WATERING RESTRICTIONS**

In light of the end of the drought and in conjunction with Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's (MWD) ending water allocations, the Yorba Linda Water District (YLWD) is lifting Stage II Water Restrictions.

This spring, Metropolitan Water District's Board of Directors voted unanimously to end the imported water use restrictions required of its Member Agencies, in place since July 2009. Accordingly, the Yorba Linda Water District is following suit in easing the water reduction demands called for in its Water Conservation Ordinance, which coincides with and is activated through MWD Drought Stage requirements.

YLWD Customers have been especially dedicated to conserving water over the past two years, exceeding the 10% goal, and averaging closer to a 20% water use reduction. The reduction comes from more efficient landscape irrigation practices, in addition to Mother Nature's gift of increased rains over the past year.

Effective immediately, the mandatory 10% water reductions under the District's Water Conservation Ordinance have been lifted. However, permanent watering restrictions, including no washing down of hard or paved surfaces and no automated watering between the hours of 9:00 am and 6:00 pm remain in place, as these practices are meant to emphasize and promote appropriate water use efficiency.

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