

Thank you, City of Roseville!



RWEPAC

May 13, 2025

WELCOME

Introductions

- Name
- Organization
- Garden gnomes – fun or creepy?



Agenda

- March 2025 Meeting Notes
- Local Host Presentation – City of Roseville
- Annual WEP Budget Discussion
- Break
- NFT Resources
- Program Updates
- Agency Announcements/Adjournment
- Lunch @ 12:30 pm
- Hunter Nozzles Presentation @ 1:00 pm

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Meeting Notes

- March 2025
- Approve and post online?



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Local Presentation

- Take it away, Bobby and Justin!



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Budget Time



Reserves

- FY 23/24 - \$456,000
- Reserve Policy Approved by WEP and RWA Board
 - \$150,000 for grant floating
 - \$100,000 for program
 - \$50,000 for drought/redesign
 - Designated \$150,000 to 606/1668 implementation
 - November 8, 2023, meeting
- Starting FY 24/25 - \$350,000
- Ending FY 24/25 - \$278,000
- **DIFFERENCE of \$178,000**
- Under budget on everything WEP

What happened?

- Grant expenses not billed to grant - **\$39,000** (2022)
- Vacation liability recognized - **\$36,000**
- Decreased Salary Shares not recognized - **\$39,000**
 - FY 22/23 Budgeted \$56,000 vs Actual \$42,600
 - FY23/24 Budgeted \$96,000 vs Actual \$83,500
 - FY 24/25 Budgeted \$68,000 vs Actual \$54,700
- Inclusion of hourly overhead Tom and Monica - **\$64,000**
 - Extra \$60/hour, 40% increase per hour, applies to grants too
 - FY 23/24 Budgeted \$60,000 vs Actual \$109,000
 - FY 24/25 Budgeted \$65,000 vs Actual \$80,000

GRAND TOTAL - \$178,000

What happened? Summary

- Several long-term policy changes that were inaccurately accounted for 2 years
 - Salary Share calculation– only Amy now
 - Addition of overhead costs to RWA support staff budget
 - Idea is that RWA should not support the subscription programs
- 1 time change to accounting approach – Vacation liability
- 1 time overstatement of Grant Revenue – Media buys

Outcomes

- Some of this funding is now in RWA reserves
- We no longer have \$150,000 for CR implementation

Other Details

Revenues

Extra to help offset losses

- Prop 1 grant funding for media buys - \$15,000
- Drought grant funding for media buys - \$25,000

Expenses

Salaries are increasing -4% step + COLA, promotions, etc.

Overhead expenses – insurance, etc.

2025-2026 Budget Overview

- **10% dues increase**
 - **\$536-\$4,177 per agency – see handout for details**
- RWA Budget Salary Share
 - Previous Policy: 10% of staff/office costs covered by RWA budget each year
 - FY18 - \$31,500 (20%)
 - FY19 - \$50,200 (30%)
 - FY20 - \$74,000 (40%)
 - FY21 - \$82,000 (40% plus increase in costs)
 - FY22 - \$0 (0%)
 - New policy: 20% of staff/office costs covered by RWA budget each year
 - FY23 - \$56,000 (20%)
 - FY24 - \$95,000 (30%)
 - FY25 - \$68,000 (20%)
 - **FY26 - \$119,000 (40%)**

2025-2026 Budget Overview

FY 2024/2025

FY 2025/2026

Table 1. Category 1 Budget Summary

Program Revenues FY 2024-2025	
Projected FY 2023-2024 Category 1 Revenues ¹	\$475,000
RWA Salary/Office Share (20%)	\$68,000
FY 2023-2024 Reserve/Carry Over Funding	\$92,000
FY 2024-2025 Grant Administration Revenue	\$49,000
Total Revenues	\$684,000
Program Expenses FY 2024-2025	
Program Management and Implementation, Technical Assistance	
Staff, Legal, Office Expenses, Travel, Financial and Audit Services	\$369,000
Water Efficiency Consulting Services	\$50,000
Best Management Practices (BMP) Implementation Categories ²	
Public Outreach	\$224,000
School Education	\$14,000
Landscape	\$27,000
Total Expenses	\$684,000

Table 1. Category 1 Budget Summary

Program Revenues FY 2024-2025	
Projected FY 2024-2025 Category 1 Revenues ¹	\$513,000
RWA Salary/Office Share (40%)	\$119,000
FY 2023-2024 Reserve/Carry Over Funding	\$10,000
FY 2024-2025 Grant Administration Revenue	\$20,000
Total Revenues	\$662,000
Program Expenses FY 2024-2025	
Program Management and Implementation, Technical Assistance	
Staff, Legal, Office Expenses, Travel, Financial and Audit Services	\$399,000
Water Efficiency Consulting Services	\$20,000
Best Management Practices (BMP) Implementation Categories ²	
Public Outreach	\$212,000
School Education	\$14,000
Landscape	\$17,000
Total Expenses	\$662,000

2025-2026 Budget Overview

Table 2. BMP Implementation Categories

PUBLIC OUTREACH		\$212,000
Regional Outreach Campaign	Common message and branding	\$191,000
	Media buys and marketing (i.e., TV and Radio ads, PSA's)	
	Events Team and collateral	
	Outreach consultant and additional partnerships	
	Sacramento Republic Partnership	\$21,000
SCHOOL EDUCATION³		\$14,000
Educational Presentations	Partnership for delivery of educational presentations to schools and public venues	\$14,000
LANDSCAPE		\$17,000
Landscape Outreach Activities	Landscape Education Partnerships (Harvest Day, etc.)	\$5,000
	Gardensoft Gallery renewal for BeWaterSmart.info website	\$5,000
	Professional Trainings (QWEL/ReScape CA, etc.)	\$7,000
TOTAL		\$243,000

Budget Over Time

	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26
Public Outreach	\$180,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$215,000	\$215,000	\$224,000	\$212,000
School Education	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$14,000	\$14,000
Landscape	\$23,000	\$25,000	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$27,000	\$17,000
Reserve Funding	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$111,000	*\$9,000	\$53,000	\$92,000	\$10,000
Total Budget	\$543,000	\$567,000	\$570,000	\$559,000	\$588,000	\$651,000	\$684,000	\$662,000
Grant	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Carryover	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Salary Share	30%	40%	40%	0%	20%	30%	20%	40%
WEP Dues Increase	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	3%	10%
RWA Dues Increase	4%	5%	5%	0%	3.7%	0%	5%	0%

*BEF funding offset reserve need.

Next Year

- Rancho Murieta CSD and Del Paso Manor WD dropped out -\$9,000
- Amy to take vacation + \$10,000
- Grant funding income + \$20,000
- 2 months of RWA staff time for finance, grants and WEP +\$ and - time
- Grant funding stops in 2026, will further decrease revenue - \$

Short Term Recommendations

- Work with RWA to rebuild reserves/pay back WEP
 - Multiple year or permanent increased salary share
- Lump sum
- Temporary reduction in program scope
- No sponsorships for a couple years
- No hosting CalWEP Plenary
- No QWEL training
- No outreach events

Long Term Solutions

- Amy to meet with Tom monthly to review RWA admin income and expenses
- Less reliance on RWA staff – blended rate of \$165/hour OR higher salary share \$
- Regular dues increases > 5% to keep up with costs
- Never have excess reserves

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Next Step

- Budget discussion
- Approval or more information?



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TAKE A BREAK

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NFT Resources - Webpage

www.bewatersmart.info/nft/

- Customer FAQs - complete
- Link to Rebates – complete
- Graphics – coming soon
- Pictures - coming soon



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New Law on Irrigating Nonfunctional Turf

In 2023, California enacted Assembly Bill (AB) 1572 to reduce the wasteful use of potable (drinking) water and support state policies on water conservation and climate change. The law **prohibits using potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf (NFT) on commercial, industrial, and institutional (CII) properties and common landscape areas of Homeowners Associations (HOAs) starting in 2027.**

The law does not ban turf—it prohibits using potable water on nonfunctional turf. Functional turf may still be irrigated with potable water, and nonfunctional turf may still be irrigated with recycled water.

The new law will be phased in over five years, starting in 2027, based on the type of property. The deadlines below are the compliance dates, which means the applicable property must stop irrigating nonfunctional turf with potable water by that date may not irrigate with potable water in the future. This is a permanent prohibition.

Property Type	Compliance Date
State/local government, local and regional public agencies, public water systems	January 1, 2027
All other institutional, commercial, and industrial properties (not described above)	January 1, 2028
HOA common areas, common interest developments, and community service organizations, or similar entities	January 1, 2029
Government/public water system properties in disadvantaged communities	January 1, 2031, or when funding is available to convert NFT, whichever is later

[Click here for a flyer with more information.](#)

Nonfunctional Turf Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Understanding the Nonfunctional Turf (NFT) Law—Assembly Bill 1572

Compliance Resources and Information

1. What is the Assembly Bill 1572 nonfunctional turf law?
2. What is turf?
3. What is functional and nonfunctional turf?
4. What properties are affected by the law?
5. Does the ban apply to residential properties?
6. When will this ban take effect?
7. Does the ban apply to the irrigation of nonfunctional turf with recycled water?
8. Can trees located in nonfunctional turf areas still be irrigated with potable water?

Contact your local water provider with any additional questions.

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NEW LAW ON IRRIGATING NONFUNCTIONAL TURF

What CII Property Owners, HOAs, and Landscape Professionals Need to Know

To reduce the wasteful use of potable (drinking) water and support state policies on water conservation and climate change, the California Legislature passed Assembly Bill 1572 (2023). The law prohibits the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf on commercial, industrial, and institutional (CII) properties starting in 2027 and landscape common areas managed by Homeowners Associations (HOAs) and similar entities starting in 2029.

What is functional and nonfunctional turf?



Functional Turf: Grass located in a recreational, civic, or community space that is regularly used for recreational or civic purposes. **Examples:** sports fields, school recreation areas, playgrounds, municipal parks, event centers, golf courses, and cemeteries.



Nonfunctional Turf: Grass that is not used for recreation, civic, or community event purposes that is only ornamental or decorative. **Examples:** turf enclosed by fencing or other barriers that restrict human access, and turf located within a street right-of-way and in parking lots.

When Do the New Rules Take Effect?

The potable water irrigation restrictions will be phased in by property type, starting in 2027.

- **January 2027** – Government/public properties
- **January 2028** – Commercial, institutional and industrial (CII) properties
- **January 2029** – Common areas of HOAs or similar developments
- **January 2031** – Government/public properties located in a disadvantaged community

GENERAL RULE:

Turf that is only accessed for mowing is likely nonfunctional turf.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What properties are affected by the law?

AB 1572 applies to nonfunctional turf on a variety of properties, including:

Common areas in HOAs	Restaurants (including fast food)
Gas stations and convenience stores	Entertainment venues
Government properties	Office, warehouse, and industrial buildings
Grocery, retail, and strip mall stores	Religious institutions
Hospitals	Banking and educational institutions
Street/boulevard median strips	Hotels and lodging

Does the law apply to irrigating nonfunctional turf with recycled water?

No. AB 1572 only prohibits the use of potable water to irrigate nonfunctional turf. Recycled water may still be used to water nonfunctional turf.

Can trees located in nonfunctional turf still be irrigated with potable water?

Yes, the law allows for the irrigation of trees located in nonfunctional turf with potable water as needed for the health of trees and other perennial non-turf plantings.

Are rebates available for replacing nonfunctional turf?

Yes. Rebates are available throughout the region to help offset costs for replacing nonfunctional turf with low-water-use landscaping, groundcover, and native plants, as well as for irrigation upgrades.

Visit [BeWaterSmart.Info/Rebates](https://www.bewatermart.info/rebates) to learn about rebates available in your area, or [contact your local water supplier](#) for more information.

What happens if a property does not comply?

Contact your local water supplier for information. Penalties can include fines or other actions as defined by your local water supplier/local government's policies or ordinances.

Still have questions?

Visit [bewatermart.info/nft](https://www.bewatermart.info/nft) or contact your local water supplier.



NFT Resources – Supplier

- Guidance Document
 - Ordinance language
 - Legal Memo updated

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NFT Resources - FAQ

- **Does the irrigation prohibition apply to residential properties?**

No. AB 1572 does not apply to private residential properties. However, the law will apply to common areas within HOAs, common interest developments, and community service organizations or similar properties beginning January 1, 2029. Apartment complexes and condominium buildings that are not part of an HOA or a common interest development are exempt.

- **Does the Disadvantaged Communities (DAC) extension provided in Water Code section 10608.14(a)(5) apply to the whole supplier's service area if a certain percentage of the population is considered DAC or does it just apply to the properties located within a service area that meet the DAC definition in the legislation?**

It applies solely to the properties located within a service area owned by local governments, local public agencies, and public water systems in which the annual median household income is less than 80 percent of the statewide annual median household income. (Wat. Code, § 10608.12, subd. (I).) The California Department of Water Resources provides a DAC Mapping Tool that allows the user to identify DAC status based on median income by location address:

<https://gis.water.ca.gov/app/dacs/>.

- **Do suppliers have the responsibility to inform property owners with more than 5,000 square feet of irrigated area about their requirement to self-certify functional or nonfunctional landscapes as required by AB 1572?**

No. Public water systems only have a duty to communicate the general effect of AB 1527—the prohibition on the use of potable water for the irrigation of nonfunctional turf. (Wat. Code, § 10608.14, subd. (d).) Property owners with more than 5,000 square feet of irrigated area are subject to a separate requirement to certify ongoing compliance with AB 1572. (See Wat. Code, § 10608.14, subd. (e).) Although public water systems do not have a duty to inform these property owners of the need to self-certify, providing this information may help to ensure that these property owners comply with AB 1572.

NFT Resources - FAQ

Examples of nonfunctional turf

- Decorative lawn not used for recreation, civic, and/or other community events
- Turf enclosed by fencing or other barriers to permanently block human access for recreation or assembly
- Turf in street rights-of-way and parking lots
- Turf on slopes over 25% - MWEL0
- Turf in strips narrower than 8 inches - MWEL0

NFT Resources - CalWEP

- CalWEP Task Force – RWA is a member
- CalWEP Resources - \$150,000 budget, pass the hat
 1. Sector specific marketing materials
 - Commercial/Industrial, HOAs, Local Governments, Property Managers, Educational Institutions, Developers, Landscaping Companies,
 2. Centralized statewide website for the public
 - Nonfunctionalturfca.com or .org
 - Regionally specific
 3. Internal resource guide for water agencies
 - Model ordinance (RWA will help)
 - Communications template
 - Staff presentations
 - Enforcement options

Program Updates



IAPMO CII Audit Training

September 22nd - 24th

Roseville – 3 locations, 3 days

Cost \$1,499 per person

RWA providing lunch

Who is in? Max 24 people

National Commercial Water Auditor Course

Interested in becoming a certified water use efficiency auditor? Sign up for IAPMO's Certified National Commercial Water Auditor Course! In this three-day training course, attendees will learn how to conduct commercial water audits, including advanced techniques and hands-on practice at a commercial facility. Expert trainers will teach participants the technical skills and best management practices for conducting water audits at complex facilities and provide personalized guidance throughout the course. Topics that will be covered include commercial kitchens, water meters and leak detection, cooling towers, landscape, medical facilities, water treatment, and much more! Participants will also learn what data to collect during an audit and how to calculate savings and benefit-costs from identified improvements. Upon completion of the course, participants will be prepared to take an IAPMO exam to earn their certification. Trained water auditors will return to their communities adept and motivated to get into the field and improve commercial water efficiency.

Conservation Regulation Summary Report

- Did everyone get a report?
- How did submitting edits to the SWB go?
 - Seemed to focus on CII BMPs
- Side question: Anyone use a consultant to do the initial report due January 1, 2025? Cost?

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SWB Reporting Webinars

UWUO-25 Reporting Form Feedback Webinar

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

[Register Here](#)

Planned topics for part 1, May 14, are inputs related to objective calculations, including alternative data and variances.

Planned topics for part 2, May 15, are Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional Performance Measures.

UWUO-25 Reporting Form Feedback Webinar

Thursday, May 15, 2025

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

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Mulch Mayhem – May 17th



FREE MULCH Available for Pick-Up
Mulch available for customers of hosting agencies

Saturday, May 17, 2025
8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (or while supplies last)

Carmichael: Carmichael Water District
7837 Fair Oaks Blvd. in Carmichael
Hosted by Carmichael Water District
Bring a shovel, container or tarp, and a means to haul away.
Info: (916) 483-2452 or carmichaelwd.org

Rocklin: Sierra College, Overflow Lot
Corner of Rocklin Rd. and El Don Dr.
(opposite the campus) in Rocklin
Hosted by Placer County Water Agency, the City of Lincoln, and San Juan Water District
Self-loading station (hand shovel) or truck/trailer fill available
Info: (530) 823-4850 or pcwa.net

Sacramento: SSWD Facility
917 Enterprise Dr., Sacramento, CA 95825
Hosted by Sacramento Suburban Water District
Bring a shovel, container or tarp, and a means to haul away
Info: (916) 972-7171 or sswd.org

Sacramento: Sacramento Marina
2710 Ramp Way (enter from Front Street)
Hosted by the City of Sacramento
Bring a shovel, container or tarp, and a means to haul away
Info: (916) 808-5605 or SacWaterWise.com

Roseville: Parking Lot – Foothills Blvd.
Entrance located at 9100 Foothills in Roseville
Hosted by the City of Roseville
Open truck and trailer fill only – no shovels required
Info: (916) 774-5761 or roseville.ca.us/mulchmayhem

Limit 1 yard per customer
(enough to fill a pick up truck)

- For personal use only; not for resale or commercial use
- First-come, first-served until supplies are gone
- Contact hosting water providers for additional details



More information at BeWaterSmart.info/mulch-mayhem



New Rachio Program

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🏠 Home 📄 CII Indoor 🌐 Official Website 🌿 DWR Reservoirs 🌊 Urban Water Use Eff... 🛠️ BWS Toolkit 📊 DAC P1 🌊 DWR WL 🌊 SWB Tool 🔄 Barre 🗺️ Phase 2 - Google Dr... 🌐 Rachio 📅 RWA Timecard 🗺️ DAC Mapping Tool 🔄



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Water Forum Conservation Element

- Water Forum suppliers to provide information on how their organization intends on complying with the Conservation Regulation
 - Level of detail to provide?
 - Format?
 - Update over time?

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Program Updates – Upcoming Topics

- Water Savings Project
- Staffing capacity discussion
- Regional CII Rebate Program
- Any project priorities for 2025?



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Wildhawk CIMIS Grand Opening

May 22nd @ 10:30 am



You're Invited: CIMIS WildHawk Grand Opening Ceremony

When: Thursday, May 22, 2025, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Where: WildHawk Golf Course | 7713 Vineyard Road, Sacramento, CA 95829

[Click here to RSVP!](#)

Dear Amy Talbot,

The Department of Water Resources (DWR), in collaboration with the Regional Water Authority and WildHawk Golf Club, is pleased to invite you to the Grand Opening Ceremony for our newest Reference Evapotranspiration (ET_o) station. We will feature a short ceremony followed by an optional tour out to the new station.

The [California Irrigation Management Information System](#) (CIMIS) Program is proud to announce that Station 273 WildHawk is now providing no-fee, high-quality ET_o information, which is often used for irrigation scheduling, groundwater pumping estimates, and meeting urban water use efficiency goals. Stations like 273 WildHawk help CIMIS provide critical reference and calibration data to California water users as well as remote sensing and satellite programs. The WildHawk Golf Club is an ideal collaborator, as they have the proper grass environment required to make accurate ET_o calculations and share a concern for efficient water management.

We hope you will join us in celebrating the newest addition to the CIMIS program.

CAPIO Award – Brewery Partnership



Devil Mountain Nursery Tour



Program Updates – Volunteers?

1. CalWEP Data Streamlining Task Force
2. WEP CII/HOA Focus Group Committee
3. RWA/WEP Communications RFP review panel
 - Review RFP responses – June 2nd – 12th
 - Review Committee Meeting – June 12th @ 1 pm

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2025 RWE PAC Meetings

Dates	Host Supplier
January 14, 2025	Sacramento
March 11, 2025	SSWD
May 13, 2025	City of Roseville
July 8, 2025	TBD
September 9, 2025	City of Lincoln
November 18, 2025	TBD
December 9, 2025	You know where!
January 13, 2026	TBD

Holiday Social: @ The Old Spaghetti Factory, Rancho Cordova, 11:30 am – 2:00 pm. All water efficiency staff are invited.





Announcements & Events

Stay after lunch for Hunter New Pro High Efficiency Nozzles Presentation

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