



Purissima Hills Water District

Feature:

What to do after an **EARTHQUAKE**

After securing the safety of your family and home, please be sure to

Turn off the landscape irrigation.

In an emergency like a major earthquake, water supplies may be limited; the District may have a restriction on water usage. Landscaping irrigation will drain our water supply reserve, so please make sure the irrigation is off.

There are several ways to shut off the irrigation:

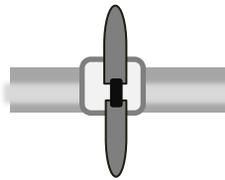
Shut off or unplug the controller, or set the timer to rain



Turn off manual main shut off valve

If it's a ball valve, turn the handle so that it's perpendicular to the supply line

OFF POSITION



If it's a gate valve, it will look like a small wheel. Turn the wheel clockwise as many times as you can so that it's completely closed



To find out when to turn **on** the irrigation, go to the District's website homepage and watch for: **OK To Irrigate**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Meet Mary Dateo, Conservation Specialist, bring your questions, or stop by at our booth at the:

Los Altos Hills Pathways Run 5/11/2013

Town Picnic 6/2/2013

Notices

New Conservation Specialist

Mary Dateo joined our staff in April as the District's Conservation Specialist. Mary is a Horticulture student at Foothill College; she'll obtain her A.S. Degree in Horticulture in June, 2013. She has previous experience as a Project Manager in the IT Services industry. Mary is looking forward to working with customers who want to reduce water usage.

Conservation Tips

5 Top Reasons to Replace Your Lawn with Native Plants

1. Save Water: Lawns require more water than our climate provides. Irrigation of lawns accounts for the largest single use of residential potable water, water that may have been transported hundreds of miles to your home.
2. Save Money and Time: Native plants don't need mowing, fertilizer, herbicides and irrigation. They benefit only from annual or semiannual pruning
3. Healthier Creeks: Fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides are top pollutants in our creeks, killing aquatic life and spreading disease.
4. Good Bugs Not Bad Bugs: Native plants attract good bugs and birds, ones that eat mosquitos and other pests.
5. Lower Greenhouse Gases: Manufacture and transportation of fertilizers, herbicides, pesticides, and mowers has a substantial carbon footprint. Transportation, pumping and treatment of water requires energy. When you save water, you also save energy!

Purissima Pipeline