

Rancho San Clemente

Community Association

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Newsletter

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by Vonne Barnes

Reclaimed Water

Rancho San Clemente irrigates 74 acres of common areas landscaping. According to Adam Kanzler, city water conservation analyst, RSC will be irrigating 27 acres (36%) with reclaimed water.

Benefits of the conversion include conservation of potable water and lower costs for use. Kanzler estimates the conversion will save members about \$17,000 per year.

Special thanks to RSC's manager Sheryl Sharp, who also submitted the application for irrigation controller upgrades that are expected to provide up to \$34,125 in rebates.

Traffic on Calle Del Cerro

Director Pete Jenseau continues to work with the city to reduce traffic and noise.

The city is considering limiting right turns from Calle Del Cerro onto Calle Iglesia and reviewing configurations at La Pata.

Landscape Updates

- The El Berro slope project in Harbor View is complete.
- Slope maintenance on the common areas above Cristianitos is complete, and maintenance below Montego along Vista Montana is under way.
- Phase III of tree trimming is complete.
- **Please Note:** Maintenance of Common areas is scheduled on a three month rotation.

Signs in Progress

Special thanks to Councilwoman Lori Donchak and Phil Suffridge, President of South Coast Landscaping, for joining Director Barnes for an on-site drive along the Ridge Route Trail to review signage.

RSC will be posting some "No Trespassing" signs to address safety and liability issues regarding illegal use of bicycles, motorized vehicles, littering, camping, vandalism, smoking and other unauthorized activities on common areas.

Sub Associations are encouraged to inform their members and tenants that trespassing on RSCCA common area properties is prohibited.

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The Watering Index



What is the Watering Index and How Does it Work with the Watering Calculator?

Water is essential to our everyday lives. And, our supplies are limited...so please use water wisely. Cutting water use inside and outside our homes is really important. If each of us changed our water-use habits, we could save billions of gallons of water. Here's how you can help:

Indoor

What you can do:

- Wash only full loads of laundry and dishes
- Fix household leaks promptly
- Spend only 5 minutes in the shower
- Turn off the water while you brush your teeth
- Buy water-saving devices like high-efficiency toilets and clothes washers. Some of these clothes washers are eligible for rebates!

Talk to your family and friends about saving water. If everyone does a little, we all benefit a lot.

Outdoor

What you can do :

- Water your lawn 1 to 2 days a week instead of 5 days a week
- Check your sprinkler system for leaks, overspray and broken sprinkler heads and repair promptly
- Use a broom instead of a hose to clean driveways and sidewalks
- Install a smart sprinkler controller that adjusts watering based on weather, soil type, amount of shade and plant type
- Water your plants in the early morning or evening to reduce evaporation and ineffective watering due to wind

Mulch! Save hundreds of gallons a year by using organic mulch around plants to reduce evaporation. [Click here](#) for mulching tips. [Click here](#) for L.A. County's free mulch program.

How much you can save:

- Saves up to 50 gallons per week
- Saves up to 20 gallons per day
- Saves up to 8 gallons each time
- Saves up to 2.5 gallons per minute
- Saves many gallons per day

How much you can save:

- Saves up to 840 gallons per week
- Saves up to 500 gallons per month
- Saves up to 150 gallons each time
- Saves up to 40 gallons per day
- Saves up to 25 gallons each time