



# Water – Energy Community Action Network

## Landscape Efficiency Upgrade Rebate

### Residential Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Check here if you do not have an email address or if you would prefer to stay in communication through US Mail. This does slow our rebate process down.

Mailing Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Unit  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

Street Address (if different than your mailing address):

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Unit  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

I receive a water bill from:      City of Fresno      City of Clovis      City of Reedley  
 (Circle one)

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are on domestic well, please indicate if your well is metered:

- Yes
- No

Please indicate if you are participating or planning to participate in another **landscaping** rebate program:

- City of Fresno
  - Lawn to Garden Conversion
  - Micro Irrigation Conversion
  - Rain Sensor
  - Smart Irrigation Controller
  - Soil Moisture Sensor
  - Sprinkler Nozzles

- State of California Save Our Water Rebate
  - Turf Replacement

## WE – CAN Rebate Information

The WE – CAN rebate program, funded by the Department of Water Resources Water-Energy Grant Program, is designed to reduce outdoor water consumption, and in doing so, reduce energy use and greenhouse gas emissions.

Our rebate program requires just a few easy steps:

1. Submit your Pre-Project Application to the Local Government Commission at [aholmstedt@lgc.org](mailto:aholmstedt@lgc.org) with the subject line "Rebate Pre-Project Application *First Name Last Name*," or by mail to:  
Local Government Commission  
WE-CAN Rebate Program  
980 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sacramento, CA
2. Receive project approval from LGC staff **prior** to starting your project.
3. Complete approved project within 3 months.
4. Submit the Completion Packet.

Eligibility for the WE – CAN rebate program is based on census tracts within Fresno County region. We will confirm your eligibility by your physical address. Applicants must also be metered whether on a municipal supply or a domestic well.

## Rebate Timeline

A rebate check will be delivered to a successful applicant approximately 4-½ months\* following Pre-Project Approval. Rebate turn-around time is dependent on when the project is completed within the 3-month time allowance and the date of your Completion Package.



\*We will request the rebate funds from DWR on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month following the date of your completion package, not on the date of submission. We will receive these funds within 1 month of placing the request, and will mail checks to successful applicants within two weeks of receiving them from DWR.

## Rebate Requirements & Eligible Materials – Reader Agreement

In order to participate in the WE-CAN Rebate Program, we respectfully request permission for access to your water utility account information. This information will be used by LGC to quantify the water and energy savings realized as a result of the Rebate Program. Any publication of your water usage information will be anonymous and devoid of personal or identifying information. Please sign the attached Release of Information Form for your water utility in order to participate in the Rebate Program.

### **Turf Conversion**

We offer \$1/sq. ft. up to \$1,000 for our Turf Conversion rebate. This rebate should be coupled with the State's Save Our Water Turf Conversion Rebate and your local city program (if applicable), to reach the full \$2/ sq. ft. The City of Fresno offers several different rebate options, including a Lawn to Garden Conversion rebate.

Converted area is limited to Central-Valley specific California native plants, or non-native plants adapted to USDA Climate Zone 9. Rebate requires a minimum of 250 sq. ft. conversion to water efficient landscaping. At maturity, plants must cover **50%** of the converted area. Any design elements that are not plant material, such as planters, rocks, mulch, or similar elements must be integrated and cohesive part of the overall landscape design. may be installed but must be made from a permeable material such as pavers, permeable concrete, or crushed stone. Rebate will not cover the installation of non-permeable surfaces and non-permeable areas do not count towards final square footage.

### Eligible Products and Materials

- Drought Tolerant vegetation
  - Central Valley Specific CA Native Plants
  - Non-native plants adapted to USDA Climate Zone 9
  - Buffalo Grass
  - *Please see [WUCOLS](#) plant guide for help selecting qualifying plants*
- Permeable Landscapes
  - Decomposed granite
  - Gravel, rock, stone,
  - Crushed stone
  - Interlocking pavers
  - Flagstone Pavers
  - Permeable Concrete
  - Open grid pavers

### **Irrigation Efficiency Upgrade & Graywater Installation**

For our Irrigation Efficiency & Graywater Systems rebate, we offer \$2/sq. ft. up to \$2,000. We encourage you to apply for your local city irrigation rebate if applicable. The City of Fresno offers a couple of irrigation rebates, among others. The State Save Our Water program does not cover irrigation efficiency in their rebate program, only turf conversion.

Qualifying irrigation upgrades include conversion of sprinkler nozzles and heads to high efficiency sprinkler nozzles, conversion to drip/micro irrigation, installation of pressure regulating heads, installation of landscape/irrigation only sub-meter, and/or installing soil

moisture sensors. The irrigation upgrade must include installation of a WaterSense Labeled Smart Irrigation Controller.

The rebate covers both materials and installation costs for code-compliant graywater systems. The graywater system starts at the drain. The rebate will pay for labor and equipment including pipe, tanks, pumps, fittings, valves, filters, irrigation system parts, installation costs, basin materials (e.g. mulch, wood chips), plants and other related items.

The City of Fresno requires a permit to install a graywater system. Please visit the Irrigation Efficiency & Graywater Systems Rebate page on the website to learn about the permit requirements.

## **Project Plan**

Please indicate below your proposed landscape upgrade plan.

Rebate Options (you may select more than one):

Turf Conversion

Irrigation Efficiency Upgrade

Graywater Installation

### **Turf Conversion Rebate: Project Plan**

Please fill out the following fields if you intend to do a Turf Conversion landscape upgrade. If you only plan to apply for our Irrigation Efficiency & Graywater Systems upgrade, please continue to the section. If you are applying to both programs, you can fill out your irrigation efficiency and/or graywater system plan details with your turf conversion plan in the fields below or fill out each rebate project plans separately.

Square footage you plan on converting: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Turf Conversion Rebate: Description**

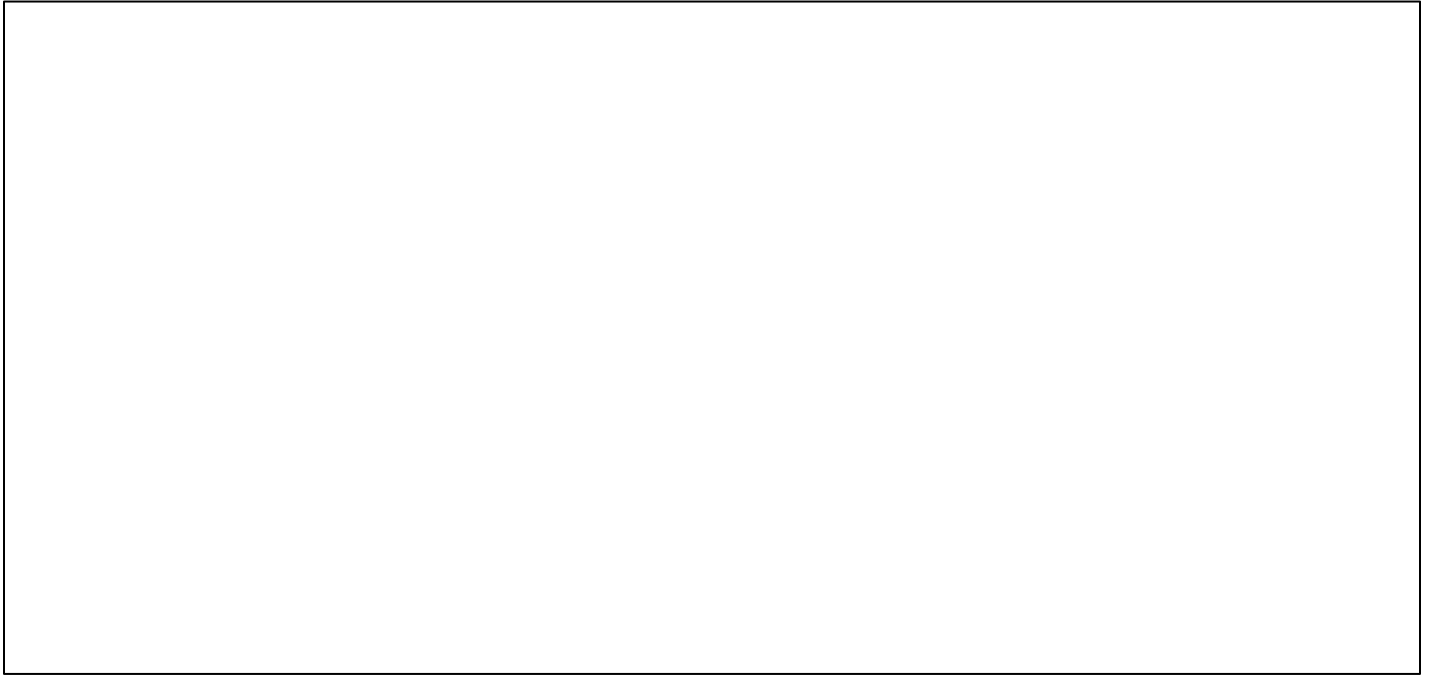
Please write a short description (a bulleted list would be sufficient) of the plants and other landscaping materials you plan on using for the turf replacement rebate:

*Example:*

*750 sq feet of Turf replaced with decomposed granite and the following native plants:*

- o lavender*
- o deer fern*
- o catsclaw vine and climbing blueberry along the house*
- o a chase tree*
- o two acacia trees*
- o moss verbena ground cover.*

*I am also replacing my existing spray irrigation with high efficiency in-line drip tubing and installing a Rachio Smart Irrigation Controller.*



**Turf Conversion Rebate: Before Pictures**

Please take 3-5 photographs of your current landscaping. At least one of these “before” pictures must include an identifying feature, such as your home address. For reference, please take a look at the California State photo guidelines:  
[https://swr.conservationrebates.com/docs/DWR\\_TurfHowTo\\_PhotoGuide.pdf](https://swr.conservationrebates.com/docs/DWR_TurfHowTo_PhotoGuide.pdf)

In the space below, sketch out your landscape area and upgrade plan. This can be as simple or detailed as you see fit as long as it includes:

1. Measurements of your planned retrofit area (in feet or inches) along all borders.
2. Placements for all of your plants
3. A legend showing what symbols were used for each plant type.

**Turf Conversion Rebate: Landscape Plan**

Landscape Plan:

Legend:

**Irrigation Efficiency & Graywater Systems Rebate: Project Plan**

Please fill out the following fields if you intend to apply for the Irrigation Efficiency & Graywater Systems rebate.

Square footage you plan on converting for the irrigation efficiency & graywater systems rebate: \_\_\_\_\_

**Irrigation Efficiency & Graywater Systems Rebate: Description**

Please write a short description (a bulleted list would be sufficient) of the irrigation and/or graywater system materials you plan on using:

*Example: I am replacing my existing spray irrigation with high efficiency in-line drip tubing and installing a Rachio Smart Irrigation Controller.*

**Irrigation Efficiency & Graywater Systems Rebate: Before Pictures**

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**Irrigation Efficiency & Graywater Systems Rebate: Landscape Plan**

Landscape Plan:

Legend:

### **Pre-Project Application Checklist**

- Pre-Project Application
- Rebate Program Affidavit
- Water Data Release Form
- 3-5 "Before" photos
- Photo/Video Release (optional)



Please scan and email this application to [aholmstedt@lgc.org](mailto:aholmstedt@lgc.org) with the subject line "Rebate Pre-Project Application First Name Last Name,"

Or, mail it to:           Local Government Commission  
                                  WE-CAN Rebate Program  
                                  980 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
                                  Sacramento, CA

For any questions, please contact Allison Holmstedt at (916) 448-1198 x302 or [aholmstedt@lgc.org](mailto:aholmstedt@lgc.org).