



Commercial Kitchens Water Use Efficiency: Certification Programs and Kitchen Audits

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Our Goals Today

- Describe AWE's new Commercial Kitchens Water Use Efficiency and Best Practices Guide.
- Address the basics of performing an audit in a commercial kitchen setting
- Provide overviews for two Restaurant Certification programs:
 - ✓ Region of Waterloo Restaurant Certification Program
 - ✓ East Bay Municipal Utility District Water Smart Certification Program

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Region of Waterloo, Ontario Canada
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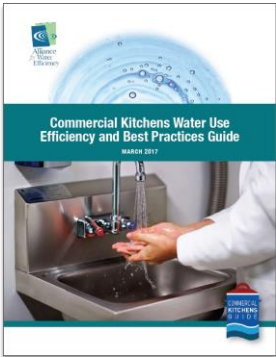


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Commercial Kitchens Guide

- Prepared by AWE with Fisher-Nickel, Inc., Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, East Bay Municipal Utility District, Region of Waterloo, & Aiqueous as partners.
- Specifically designed for food service industry professionals, with emphasis on efficient business management and the impact to bottom lines.



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The Low Hanging Fruit

Perform an assessment

Leaders can create a shared language for the terms, definitions, concepts, and processes that are used in their organizations. This language can be used to communicate the vision, mission, and values of the organization. It can also be used to create a shared understanding of the organization's current state and to identify areas for improvement.

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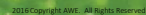
The best example of "Common Language" related to this issue is the work of the Center for Language Acquisition at the University of Pennsylvania. This center has developed a framework for understanding the relationship between language and thought. This framework can be used to create a shared understanding of the organization's current state and to identify areas for improvement.

MOST COMMON LEAKS

TYPE OF LEAK	CHARACTERISTICS	AREA	IMPACT
Small leaks	Small leaks are often the result of a single person or a small group of people. They are often the result of a single person or a small group of people.	Individual	Small leaks are often the result of a single person or a small group of people. They are often the result of a single person or a small group of people.
Medium leaks	Medium leaks are often the result of a single person or a small group of people. They are often the result of a single person or a small group of people.	Department, Subsystem	Medium leaks are often the result of a single person or a small group of people. They are often the result of a single person or a small group of people.
Large leaks	Large leaks are often the result of a single person or a small group of people. They are often the result of a single person or a small group of people.	Entire organization	Large leaks are often the result of a single person or a small group of people. They are often the result of a single person or a small group of people.

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- Includes specially developed elements to encourage continued conservation such as an Action Plan document and overviews of the Region of Waterloo's and East Bay Municipal Utility District's Certification Programs.



- Only available to AWE members.
- PDF available.
- Currently taking bulk printing orders for hard copies, price estimate is \$2.50 per copy.
- Deadline for orders is June 15.





Auditing Commercial Kitchens

- Where to Start a Commercial Kitchen Audit
- Tips to a Successful Audit
- Common Mistakes



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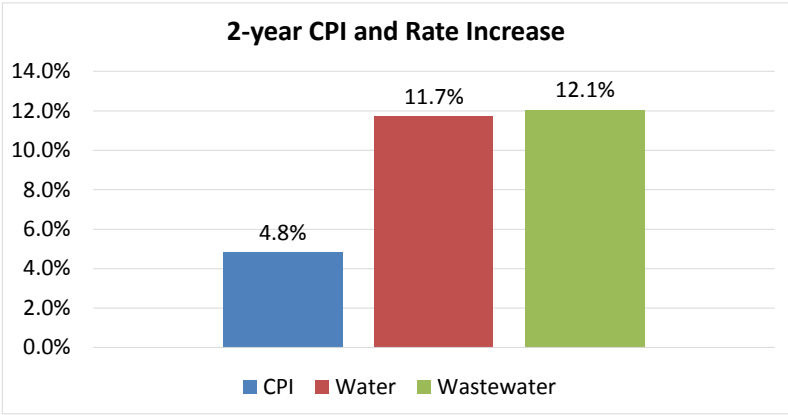


Water Accounting...

- Review the Water Bills
 - ✓ Obtain cover-count if possible
 - ✓ Look for trends, unusual peaks, a common sense review
 - ✓ Keep a regular record of all utilities and record them in a database/excel
 - ✓ Know where your water meter is and how to read it!

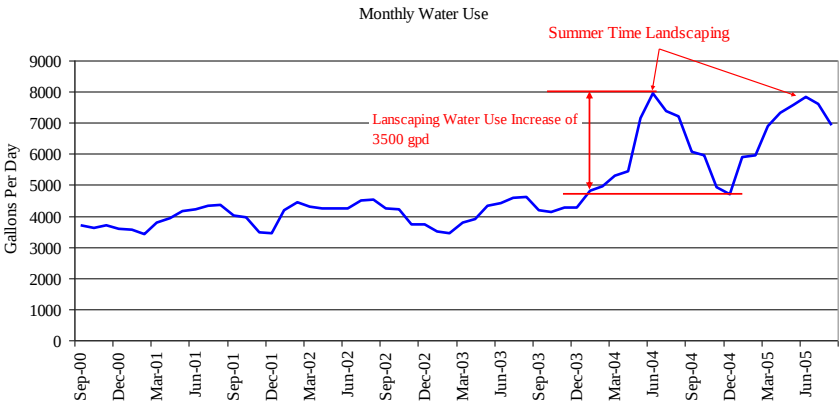
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Bi-annual Increases Over 26 Years



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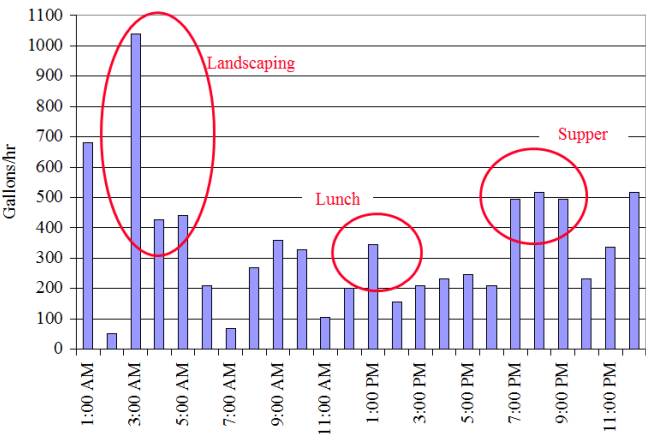
Summer Increase Says...

- Re-landscaped?
 - New irrigation system?
 - Broken irrigation heads?
 - New landscaper
- ✓ \$2,100 increase



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Water Accounting...with AMI



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Where is the Water Used in a Restaurant?

Dish Room	Food Prep	Roof Top & Outside	Refrigeration	Dining Room
Dish washers Glass washers Pot washers Pre-rinse nozzles Conveyor spray Manual wash down Disposals systems	Steamers Combination ovens Pasta cookers Steam tables Sinks: defrosting Sinks: food washing Table water	Evaporative-cooling Cooling towers ----- Landscaping Cleaning	Water-cooled-condensing Ice machines	Table water Bathroom: Hand washing Toilets Urinals

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Use a Checklist

Action Plan for Restaurants

Use the Following Checklist as a DIY Action Plan for Your Restaurant's Road to Water Conservation.

GENERAL

☐ Start tracking your current water and energy use by monitoring utility bills and identifying anomalies. \$

☐ Institute an equipment maintenance schedule: monthly or quarterly. \$

☐ Repair all water leaks – especially hot water. \$\$

☐ Install low-flow aerators on kitchen and restroom hand sink faucets. \$\$

☐ Reduce water flow in dipper wells if possible. \$

☐ Use a refrigerator to thaw frozen products instead of running water. \$

DISH ROOM

☐ Install an ENERGY STAR® qualified dish machine. \$\$\$

RESTROOMS

☐ Install a water-efficient WaterSense® labeled toilet and consider power assist or dual flush units. \$\$

☐ Install a WaterSense® labeled low-flow urinal or a water-less urinal. \$\$

☐ Repair toilet leaks. \$\$

OUTSIDE

☐ Sweep sidewalks and parking lots clean instead of using a hose. \$

☐ Use a water broom instead of a hose and spray nozzle. \$\$

☐ Install a WaterSense® labeled irrigation controller. \$\$

☐ Plant low-water using or drought tolerant landscape. \$\$

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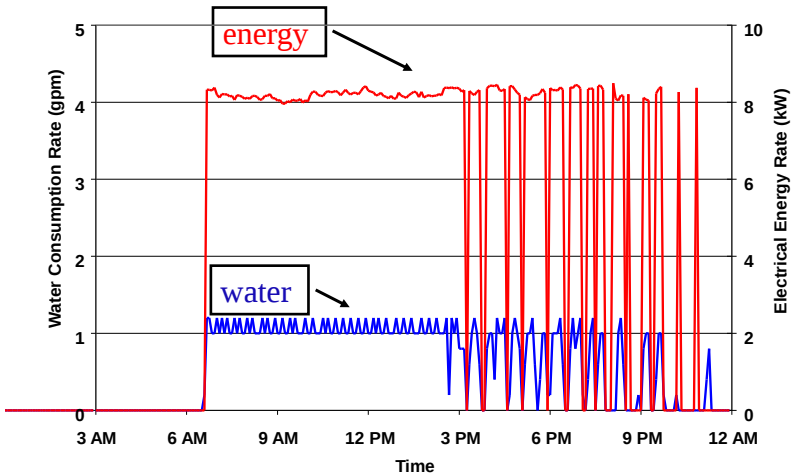
Don't be Afraid to Get a Little Dirty



- Boiler Based Steamer
- Average Water Usage = 40 gph

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Casual Dining



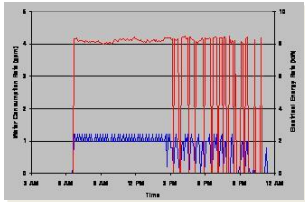
Timed vs. Manual Mode



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Variation of Steamer Use

- 6:40 am – 3:15 pm
 - ✓ Steamer on manual mode
 - ✓ 8.5 hours
 - ✓ 69 kWh, 545 gallons
- 3:15 pm – 11:00pm
 - ✓ Steamer on timer mode
 - ✓ 5 hours energized
 - ✓ 30.5 kWh, 240 gallons



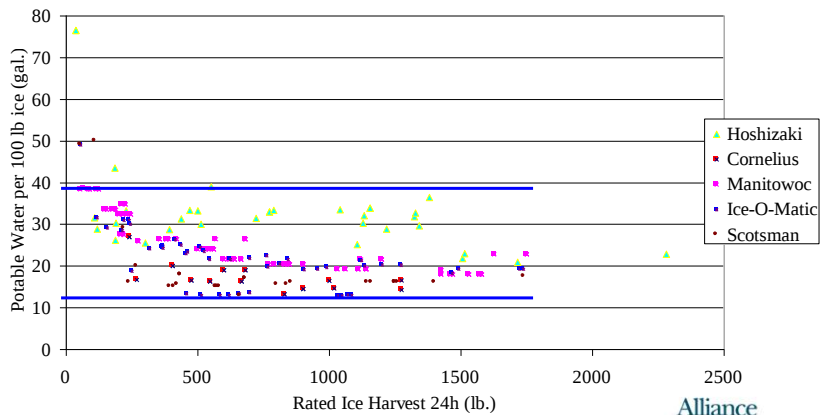
AM: \$4540 / year
PM: \$2005 / year

(Based on 360 days/yr operation at \$0.13/kWh & \$5.00/100 cu.ft. total water cost in Los Angeles.)

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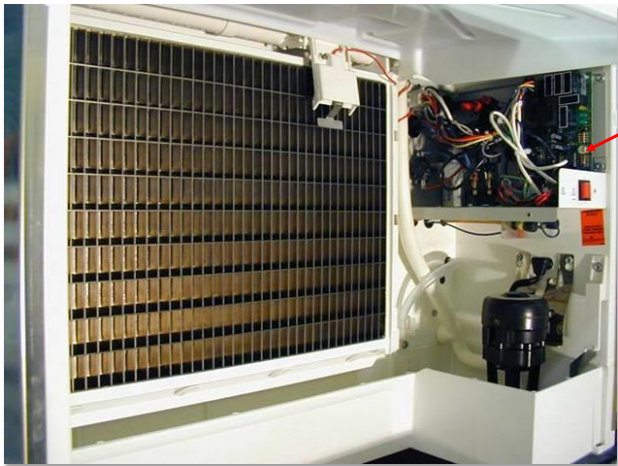
Air Cooled Ice Machines

ARI - Air-Cooled Models



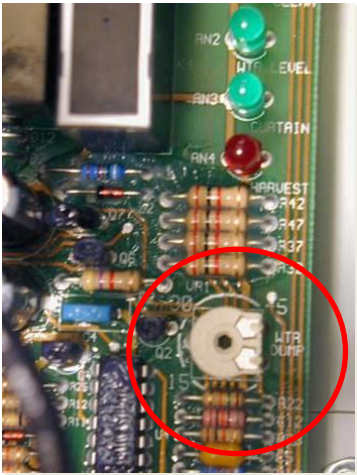
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Inside an Ice Machine



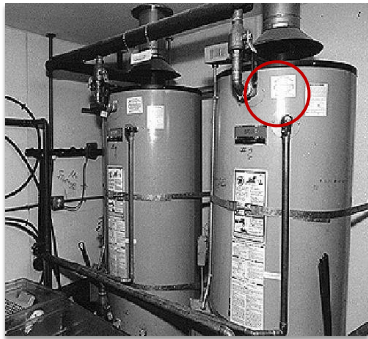
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Water Trough Purge Timer



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Look Outside the Cooking Area



Pressure Relief Valve

- One of the water heater's (160°F set point) pressure relief valve was leaking at a rate of 1/4 gallon/min.
- This in turn could cost up to \$785 annually - energy only!
- Water and sewer cost - \$875 or **\$1,660** combined.

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Commercial Kitchen Water Use Efficiency and Best Practice Guide



Resources and References

Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI) Ice Machine Database
<http://www.ahridirectory.org/ahridirectory/pages/acim/defaultSearch.aspx>

Database of State Incentives for Renewable and Efficiency (DSIRE)
<http://www.dsireusa.org>

ENERGY STAR® Commercial Food Service Equipment
https://www.energystar.gov/products/commercial_food_service_equipment

ENERGY STAR® Guide for Cafes, Restaurants and Institutional Kitchens
https://www.energystar.gov/products/commercial_food_service_equipment

EPA Commercial Water Sense Program
<http://www.epa.gov/watersense/commercial/>

National Sanitation Foundation (NSF)/ANSI Listing for Commercial Warewashing Equipment
<http://www.nsf.org/Certified/Food/>

Toilet Maximum Performance Testing Database
<http://www.map-testing.com/>

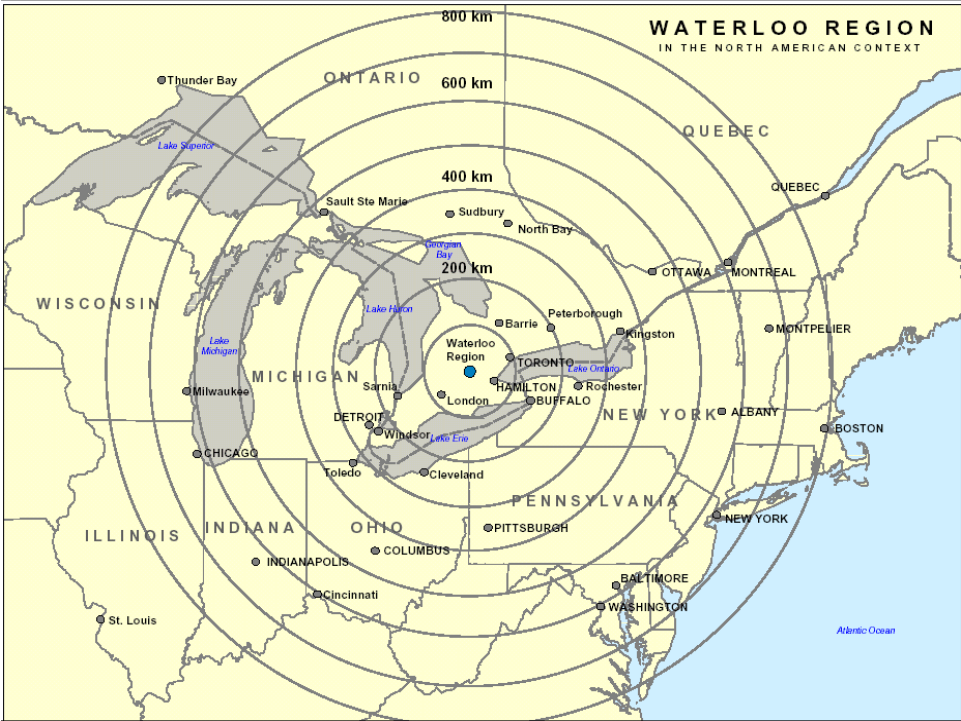
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Region of Waterloo Restaurant Certification Program

- Quick background
- Building relationships
- Results
- New Commercial Kitchen Guide

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Waterloo Region Water Supply

- Population: 575,000
- Water System
 - ✓ Integrated Urban System
 - ✓ 15 Rural Systems
 - ✓ 75% Groundwater
- Service Population: 525,000



GIS department.

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3rd WE Master Plan, 2015 - 2025

- Defer GL Pipeline Indefinitely
- ↓ Total DW by 362 million gallons/Year
- ↓ Greenhouse gas by 8,500 Tons
- ↓ Water Efficient Technology (WET) funding programs, residential, commercial, industrial and institutional sectors



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Restaurants in Waterloo Region



- 2,800 food service facilities
- 1,300 restaurants
- Use 1 billion gal/year
- Much of it hot water
- Variable consumption
- 26,000 gal/year small
- 5 million gal/year buffet



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Building Relationships over 10 years



- Water reviews
- 597 pre-rinse spray valves replaced at no cost
- 14 million gal/year water savings

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More Opportunities for Restaurants

- Reduce leaks
- Eliminate wasteful behaviors
- Replace inefficient equipment:
 - ✓ Toilets
 - ✓ Water softeners
 - ✓ Ice machines
 - ✓ Steamers
 - ✓ Dishwashers
 - ✓ Water Cooled compressors

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Certification Program launch 2015

- Points awarded for initiative taken
- Certified water efficient
- Expanded to include all businesses in 2016



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Mix business *with pleasure.*

Certify your restaurant
as water efficient.

- ✓ Get recognized by customers
- ✓ Be more sustainable
- ✓ Improve your bottom line
- ✓ Show community leadership

Contact the Region of Waterloo
Water Services for a **free** consultation.





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Point System to Certify

Activity	Points
Contracted Water Balance Audit (funding up to 50% available)	3
A Water Use Review (Region staff)	1
Billing Analysis & Benchmarking	1
Proven water savings	3
Employee training	2
Register for "Blue W" program	1

Need Min 5 points to certify



What's in it for restaurateurs?

- Free reviews and consulting
- Funding
- Water & Energy savings
- Reduced overhead
- Recognition in the community
- Communications support
- More business and happy customers





Results

- 30 restaurants certified, 2015-'17
- Average 10% short term savings
- 1.5 million gal/year (to 2016)
- Potential to reach 30% savings



Tool Box

- Literature for staff training
- Fact sheet summarizing steps they took
- Framed certificate
- Window Clings
- Table-top promotion cards
- **New Commercial Kitchen Guide**





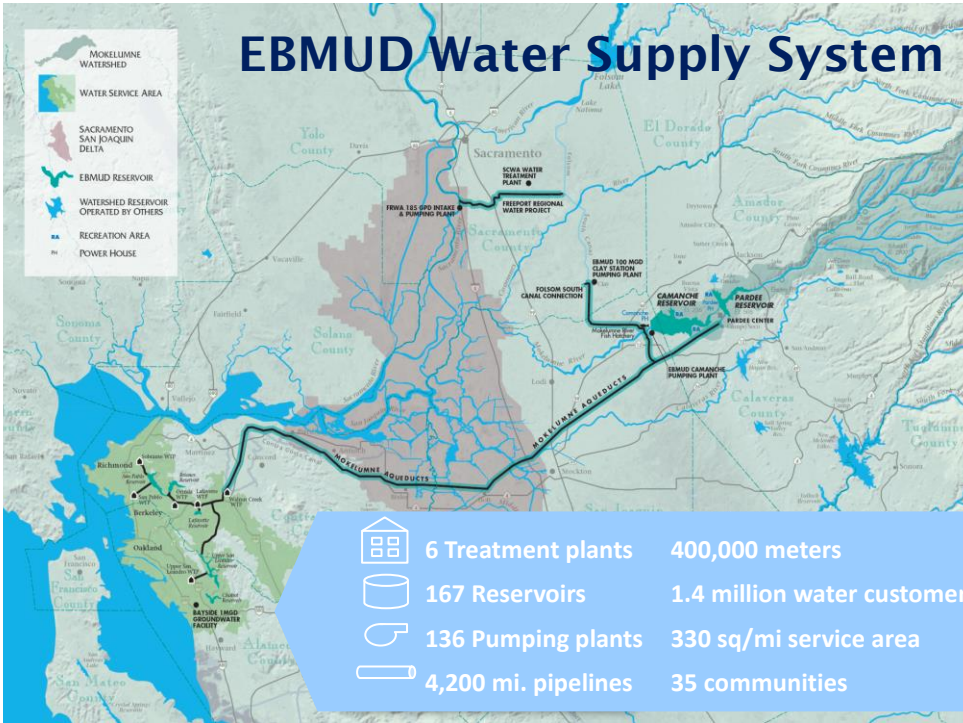
EBMUD Water Smart Certification Program

- EBMUD overview
- WaterSmart Certification:
 - ✓ Drivers
 - ✓ Conservation services, tools
 - ✓ Program design and criteria
 - ✓ Award and recognition materials
 - ✓ Program results

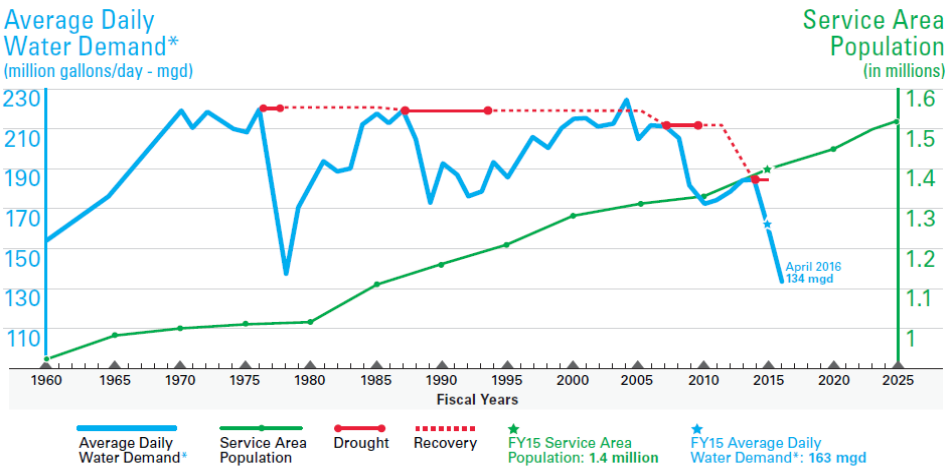


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Demand down, population up

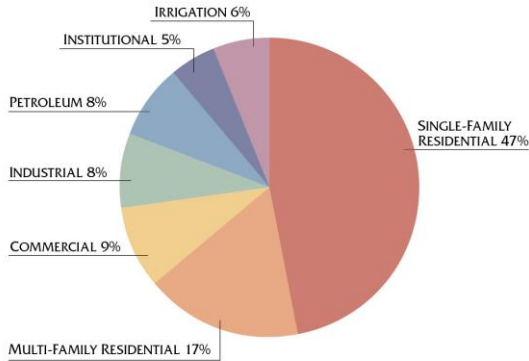


Even more astounding, April 2016's Average Daily Water Demand (amount of water we produce based on customer need) dropped to 134 million gallons per day, the lowest April water production since 1978.

*Demand measures the District's production of water based on customers' needs.



EBMUD Water Use By Customer Category



NOTE:
Based on Calendar Year 1975-2014 metered consumption data.



Certification Drivers: EBMUD Business Classification Codes

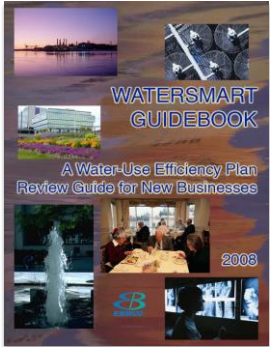
- 91 total codes
 - Industrial/Petroleum (55)
 - Commercial/Irrigation (29)
 - Institutional (4)
 - Residential (3)
- Metered data back to 1975
 - Online database
 - Data mining
 - Report graphics

Customer Sector	2016 Accounts
Commercial	15,540
Industrial	1,850
Institutional	3,700
Irrigation	5,275
Total	26,365



Conservation Services And Tools: Business WaterSmart Development Guidebook

- Reference document on business water efficiency
- >15 water use technologies
- >20 business types
 - description of end uses
 - water savings hardware/processes
 - cost-benefit analyses
 - hardware and customer profiles
 - permit process
 - marketing plan
 - technical appendices





Business WaterSmart Development Guidebook

Type of Business

- Offices
- Schools
- Restaurants
- Retail
- Hotel/Motel
- Grocery
- Medical facilities
- Laboratories
- Laundries
- Manufacturing
- Vehicle washing
- Bakeries
- Automotive
- Printing

Water Using Technology

- Plumbing fixtures
- Landscaping
- Pools, spas & fountains
- Water treatment
- Alternate water sources
- Thermodynamic processes
- Food service
- Wash down & sanitation
- Laundry
- Submetering
- Process water
- Photo & film processing
- Medical & laboratory
- Vehicle wash

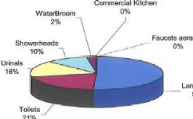


Conservation services and tools: Business Site Survey Reports

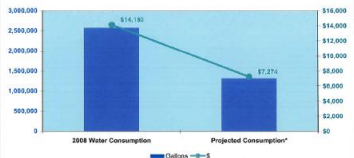
Water Savings Summary

Estimated Annual Savings	1,234,777	Return on Investment	\$14,445
Water Savings (gallons)	423	Payback period for water efficiency	\$1,274
Energy Savings (therms)	423	EBMUD Rebate	\$1,274
Total Dollar Savings	\$6,906	Payback (years)	1.9

Identified Water Savings by Device/Area



Current and Projected Consumption and Cost





Identified Measures	Initial Cost	Incentives & Rebates	Annual Water Savings (gallons)	Annual Energy Savings (therms)	Annual Water & Energy Savings (\$)	Annual Total Savings (\$)	Simple Payback (years)
Landscaping	\$0	\$0	638,314	0	\$3,501	\$0	\$3,501
Toilets	\$7,885	\$176	261,469	0	\$1,837	\$0	\$1,837
Urinals	\$6,309	\$848	196,184	0	\$1,078	\$0	\$1,078
Showers	\$ FREE	\$ FREE	128,571	412	\$766	\$0	\$766
Waterfountains	\$300	\$150	28,863	0	\$148	\$0	\$148
Commercial Kitchen	\$ FREE	\$ FREE	3,355	11	\$18	\$18	\$30
Faucets aerators	\$ FREE	\$ FREE	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Totals	\$14,445	\$1,274	1,254,777	423	\$6,906	\$11	\$6,906

\$ FREE indicates that EBMUD provided your facility of free water efficient device.



Program design and criteria

- Applies to business and institutional customers
- To participate in the program applicants must:
 - ✓ complete an EBMUD water use survey
 - ✓ implement water use efficiency measures to meet established benchmarks
 - ✓ conduct employee water-efficiency training
 - ✓ participate in a post-implementation inspection and review
- Certified businesses have their water consumption tracked annually
- Required to recertify every three years

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Working with Community Partners

- Long standing referral programs with other utilities, NGOs
- One stop shopping for water, energy, solid waste reduction services
- Learned from success, lessons of other recognition programs



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Water Smart Certification Program Benefits

- Provides umbrella conservation brand
- Establishes efficiency benchmarks
- Increases customer participation
- Rewards outstanding water efficiency
- Fosters partnerships with vendors, designers, and developers
- Supports local, state and national resource efficiency programs
- Advances adoption of water efficiency technology and best practices toward increased market transformation



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EBMUD Business WaterSmart Award Materials



Wall Plaque



Window Decal



EBMUD Lobby Wall Display

WaterSmart Certification Program Results

- Since 2009, >90 businesses certified/recertified
- >100 million gallons per year combined water savings
- Food service awardees:
 - ✓ Angeline's Louisiana Kitchen, Berkeley
 - ✓ Barney's Gourmet Hamburger - Solano, Berkeley
 - ✓ Choicelunch, Danville
 - ✓ Le Bateau Ivre, Berkeley
 - ✓ Triple Rock Brewery, Berkeley
 - ✓ Cactus Taqueria – College
 - ✓ Peerless Coffee & Tea Company
 - ✓ Revolution Foods, Oakland



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In Closing...

- Many thanks for joining us! Questions?
- A PDF and a link for this recorded webinar will be distributed in a few days.
- Additional questions? Send to Liam at liam@a4we.org
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 1. May 23: Exemplary Programs Webinar: New Utility Business Models
 2. June 7: Net Blue: Water Neutral Growth Ordinance
 3. June 20: EPA/AWE/IA Webinar: *WaterSense and SWAT – What's the Difference?*

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