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Subject: Emergency Rule Making Comment, Exec Order B-29-15 Landscape Irrigation

Given the Governor's Executive Order B-29-15, Diablo Water District adopted the following language in our Drought Emergency Regulation to address irrigation of landscapes outside of newly constructed homes with drip or microspray. We would appreciate it if you would incorporate similar language in the proposed Emergency Standards you are working on. The water allocation per square foot of landscape area indicated below is based on an ETo of 48.2 in the Oakley area, 60% medium water use plants, 40% low water use plants and a 50% coverage ratio.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Thank you very much,

Mike Yeraka General Manager Diablo Water District 925-625-6159 www.diablowater.org

During the drought emergency the following use of potable water is prohibited:

The use of potable water to irrigate the landscapes outside newly constructed homes or buildings in excess of an average of five (5) gallons per hundred square feet of front yard landscape area per day over seven consecutive days during the months of April through November and the use of potable water in excess of an average of one and one half (1.5) gallons per hundred square feet of front yard landscape area per day over seven consecutive days during the months of December through March. The aforementioned quantities include a 25 percent allowance for plant establishment. The General Manager may, but is under no obligation to, provide an additional amount of water based on water efficient irrigation calculations submitted to the District no later than June 8, 2015, based on a landscape plan utilizing no more than 60 percent moderate water use plants and no less than 40 percent low water use plants with an overall plant density of 50 percent in the landscape area.