

Jessica,

First of all, thank you for being the point of contact for likely hundreds of comments and emails about these regulations. This is a big issue and much cooperation is needed, so thanks for the opportunity to weigh in.

Having said that, as requested, I do have a comment. The proposed regulations reflect that “small water suppliers would be required to achieve a 25% water savings as compared to their 2013 water use under the new regulation.” In the case of Waterford, we will be able to show that our conservation efforts have already been paying off and reflect an approximate sub-100 R-GPCD.

It is my suggestion, along with other small system suppliers, that if they can reflect a R-GPCD meriting a less stringent reduction just like the larger systems, then that be made an option to them. In Waterford’s case, only a 20% reduction would be warranted. So, perhaps it is a 25% reduction for small systems, but it may be less if the data supports it. What do you think?

Also, how was September 2014 selected for the R-GPCD timeframe? Why not July or January?

I also have a suggestion for a marketing effort. Something about “The California Gold Rush is back” with a play on turning our green lawns into golden brown lawns to save water.... “Go for the Gold!” Time to change our culture of green lawns. Thanks again.

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