



Lamb said that the bottom line, a household cost of roughly \$20 a month, would be better than requiring residents to do over the landscaping of their properties with no irrigation water.

“Even if we had to pay twice as much at \$40 per household per month, I think people would pay that to have running water,” Lamb said.

The general manager told the board that Mountain House households had been using an average of 90 gallons of water per person each day, but the rumored curtailment would cut that in half.

On Tuesday, Pattison said he was still trying to find a water agency willing to sell to the community, even though the water board had not yet ordered any changes for Mountain House.

“We’re doing everything we can conserve and I’m doing everything I can to purchase emergency water,” he said. “With the water purchase, we’re still pushing conservation measures, but we want to keep people’s taps open.

“We’re trying to get through to the end of the year,” he said.