

on the WaterFront



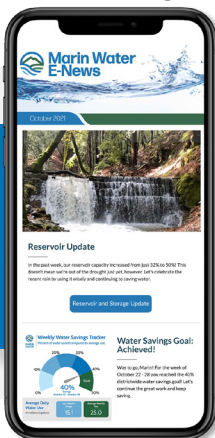
MARIN WATER

January/February 2022

ENSURING THE RESILIENCY OF OUR WATER SUPPLY

Recent rainfall has boosted our current water storage levels, but there's no way to know for sure what rainfall amounts will look like in future months and years. It's probable that severe dry conditions will recur, continuing to threaten our water supply. Therefore, we encourage our customers to continue to use water wisely and help preserve this precious resource.

And it's not just community conservation goals that Marin Water is focused on. We are continuing to pursue options to augment our water supply in times of water shortages ensuring we have a resilient water system that can respond to changing climate conditions now and for years to come. We have been exploring a number of potential operations and projects for this purpose over the past few months and a new webpage where you can access the latest updates on each of them is now available. On the webpage, read about where we are at with the emergency intertie project, find information on our efforts to secure more winter water from the north working in partnership with Sonoma Water, and learn why we have decided not to further pursue desalination as an option at this time. Visit this project page at marinwater.org/WaterSupplyProjects.



SIGN UP FOR OUR E-NEWS

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SUBSCRIBE TODAY OR VISIT MARINWATER.ORG/SIGNUP

Receive monthly emails with the latest news about the drought, critical projects, water-saving incentives, watershed updates, volunteer events, and Marin Water job opportunities.

SPOT-A-LEAK, FIX-A-LEAK

According to the EPA, leaks can add up to nearly 10,000 gallons of water waste per year for an average household. Assess your home for leaks this winter by trying the following:

- Use your water meter to find leaks in your house. Watch a step-by-step video to learn how to read your meter at marinwater.org/Conserve.
- A leaky toilet can waste 1,000 to 4,000 gallons of water per day. Dye tablets are a free and easy way to tell if your toilet is leaking. Request those and other water-efficient fixtures by visiting our office at 220 Nellen Ave, Corte Madera, Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. or email conservation@marinwater.org.

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- Take advantage of our Flume rebate. We offer 75% off your purchase of a Flume Smart Home Water Monitor, which easily straps on to most water meters and sends water-use data straight to your phone. It even automatically monitors and detects potential leaks! Claim your Flume at flumewater.com/Marin.

WATER-SAVING TIPS FOR WINTER PLANT CARE

Plants require much less water during the winter months and, with recent heavy rains, most soils will have plenty of moisture to meet your plants needs for some time. However, if we experience extended dry periods during the remainder of the winter, while irrigation systems remain off, here are four water-saving alternatives that can be put to use to help keep plants healthy and happy:

- Capture shower or faucet water as you wait for it to get warm for use to water plants. We offer free buckets to catch that warm-up water as well as other free water-saving devices. Request yours by visiting our office at 220 Nellen Ave, Corte Madera, Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. or email conservation@marinwater.org.
- Laundry-to-landscape graywater systems are a great way to harness your washing machine's water for your plants. We are offering free graywater webinars and a \$100 discount on your purchase of a graywater kit at the Urban Farmer Store. Learn more and access recordings of previous free workshops at marinwater.org/Rebates.
- When it does rain, make use of every drop of rain by harvesting rainwater. Install a rain barrel with help from our rain barrel rebate to collect rainwater from rooftops and store it for later use. We offer up to 50 cents per gallon of storage for qualifying installations (not to exceed actual cost and limited to \$1,000 per site). Apply at marinwater.org/Rebates.
- Recycled water is highly treated wastewater safe for irrigation on all plants. We operate a recycled water filling station in San Rafael that's open to the public and free for all Marin County residents. It's typically closed during wet winter months, but will reopen as a resource for residents if dry winter streaks create demand. Learn more at marinwater.org/RecycledWater.

WATER USE RESTRICTIONS

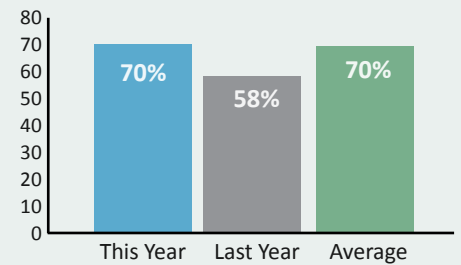
For the latest information on water-use restrictions and penalties, check marinwater.org/WaterRules.

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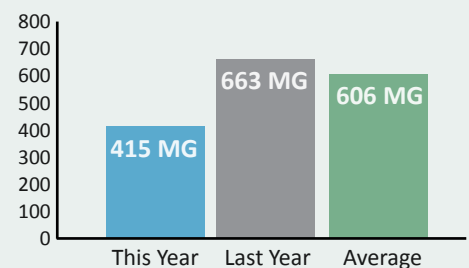
Reservoir Storage

% of total storage capacity as of 12/15/21



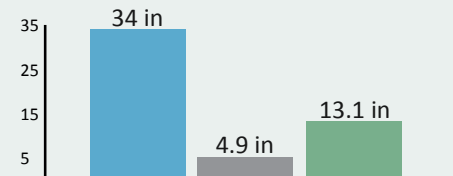
Water Usage

Total November water usage
(MG = millions of gallons)



Rainfall Information

Total inches of rainfall, 10/01/21 to 12/15/21



OUR MISSION

Our mission is to manage our natural resources in a sustainable manner and to provide our customers with reliable, high-quality water at a reasonable price.

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Board of Directors meetings are on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. Learn more at marinwater.org.

