California is facing unprecedented dry conditions. There is a huge water savings potential for Southern California's businesses, property associations, government/public buildings, agricultural communities, and institutions like hospitals and schools to save water with water efficiency projects that bring new technologies and improvements to existing systems.

The program is open to all commercial, industrial, agricultural, institutional and large landscape customers who implement qualifying projects within Metropolitan’s 5,200 square mile service area. The criteria for projects that involve equipment or water management services are detailed in the application package. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

- Replacement of older, less water-efficient equipment with new efficient commercial and industrial equipment
- Installation of new water-efficient commercial and industrial equipment that will help minimize water demand
- Comprehensive changes to industrial processes that reduce water consumption per unit of output and improve efficiency
- Improvements to existing irrigation systems and landscaping to improve water use efficiency for agricultural operations and large landscapes on a minimum of one acre
- Water management services that may include new equipment, materials and horticultural practices to improve water use efficiency

Incentives are paid based on the amount of water saved. The payment amount is up to $0.60 per 1,000 gallons saved per year over the project life, up to a maximum of 10 years. Incentives are limited to 50% of eligible project costs. Eligible costs may include audits, design, engineering, construction, equipment and materials (including plant material), hardware, software, freight, shipping, third-party labor and contract water management services. New construction projects are not eligible.
HOW

Applicants must submit a completed, signed application with required supporting documentation. Applications are available for download at bewaterwise.com. All applications must be pre-approved, and a WSIP agreement signed before projects can begin. Pre- and post-inspections by Metropolitan may be required as well as a report on water use during project operation. Projects are not eligible for more than one of Metropolitan’s water efficiency program incentives.

The application package should be submitted to:

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
PO Box 54153
Los Angeles, CA 90054-0153
Attention: Conservation Unit

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The Water Savings Incentive Program is a collaborative effort between Metropolitan and its 26 public member agencies. Funding is limited and submitting an application does not guarantee payment. Incentives are reserved for projects on a first-come, first-served bases until funding is exhausted.