

## M E M O

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: District Manager

SUBJECT: REBATE PROGRAMS

DATE: September 14, 2007

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Board of Directors review and file this report relative to rebate programs.

### **BACKGROUND:**

At the September 6, 2007 Board of Directors Meeting your Board requested staff to provide information regarding the different types of rebate programs available from other local public agencies. The following provides a brief summary of rebate programs available from other public agencies in Santa Cruz County.

#### **SCOTTS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT**

Low Flow Fixture Program: Replacement of existing water fixtures with approved low flow fixtures. Customer receives a credit upon their water bill of 25% of the new fixture cost, not to exceed \$50.00 per account.

ULF Toilet Program: Replacement of existing high volume toilet with ULF toilet (1.6 gallon per flush). Customers receive a credit upon their water bill of \$100.00 per toilet.

High Efficiency Clothes Washer Program: Replacement of existing high volume washing machine with high efficiency washing machine (Energy Star Compliant). Residential customers receive a credit upon their water bill of \$100.00. Commercial customers (coin operated machines) receive a \$200.00 per machine credit upon their water bill.

#### **CITY OF SANTA CRUZ**

ULF Toilet Program: Replacement of existing high volume toilet with ULF Toilet. Customer receives a rebate of \$75.00 per toilet.

High Efficiency Toilet (HET) Program: Replacement of existing high volume toilet with new High Efficiency Toilet (1.3 gallon or less per flush). Customer receives a rebate of \$150.00 per toilet.

High Efficiency Clothes Washer Program: Replacement of existing high volume washing machine with high efficiency washing machine (Energy Star Compliant). Residential customers receive a rebate of \$100.00 per machine. Commercial customers (coin operated machines) receive a \$400.00 per machine.

#### SOQUEL CREEK WATER DISTRICT

High Efficiency and Dual Flush Toilet Program: Replacement of pre-1992 toilet with high efficiency or dual flush toilet (1.3 gallon or less per flush). Customer receives a rebate of up to \$250.00 per toilet.

High Efficiency Clothes Washer Program: Replacement of existing high volume washing machine with high efficiency washing machine (Energy Star Compliant). Residential customers receive a rebate of \$100.00 per machine. Commercial customers (coin operated machines) receive a rebate \$200.00 per machine.

Cistern Installation Program: Installation of a water cistern system. Customer receives a rebate of \$25.00 per 100 gallons. Maximum rebate amount of \$750.00 (3,000 gallons).

Turf Replacement Program: Replacement of existing turf with low-water use grasses/plants and/or synthetic turf. Customer receives a credit to their water bill of \$2.00 per square foot.

Irrigation Replacement Parts Program: Replacement of broken or old style sprinkler heads. Customer receives a credit to their water bill of \$5.00 per sprinkler head. Maximum credit of \$50.00 for residential and \$250.00 for commercial.

Weather Based Irrigation Controller Program: Purchase and installation of weather based irrigation controllers. Customer receives a rebate of \$75.00 for sensor-based controllers and \$125.00 for signal-based controllers.

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