

Put Recycled Water to Work for You



Among other places in Santa Rosa, recycled water is used at Finley Community Center for landscape irrigation purposes.

Conserve a Precious Resource

In the arid Western United States, water is a scarce resource and a valuable commodity –one that no community can afford to waste. That is why Santa Rosa is proud to be expanding the use of highly treated recycled water for approved uses, such as irrigation of commercial and public landscaping, in select areas of the city.

Using recycled water is an effective way to create a supplemental water resource that is safe and dependable. It saves a tremendous amount of precious drinking water for higher purposes and it limits the need to release recycled water into local waterways. Expanding the use of recycled water and practicing water conservation are sound ways to preserve our most vital resource. Plus, recycled water is a locally controlled, reliable source of water that is environmentally responsible.

Practice Good Stewardship

Businesses and agencies that participate in Santa Rosa's Recycled Water Program can be proud of their roles as good stewards of the environment and their community. Choosing recycled water for your landscape irrigation sends a message to the larger community that you are doing your part to help Santa Rosa meet its water supply objectives.

The Subregional System's existing urban reuse program includes the irrigation of many schools, parks and businesses in Rohnert Park, including Sonoma State University. In Santa Rosa, recycled water is used at Finley Park, a Place to Play sports complex and Oakmont Golf Course. Expanding the use of recycled water is a high priority for the City because of its dual benefits:

- 1) increasing the area's water supply options and
- 2) providing an environmentally friendly method of disposing the area's highly treated wastewater.



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Tap Into a Drought-Proof Water Supply

Another benefit of becoming a recycled water customer is the dependability of the recycled water supply throughout the year. This is good news because as a recycled water user, you will be able to enjoy lush, healthy landscaping, even when others are forced to cut back due to requests for conservation or drought conditions.



Training seminars will be part of the support services offered by the City.

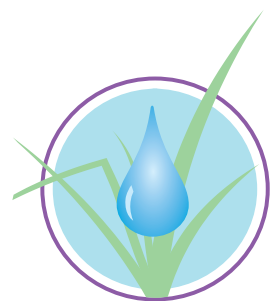
Make a Smooth Transition

To help businesses make an easy and successful transition to the use of recycled water, the City of Santa Rosa Utilities Department will provide an extensive program of informational support services and direct assistance to recycled water customers.

This assistance will include:

- Site evaluations
- Water quality information
- Irrigation system evaluations and recommendations to improve water use efficiency
- Training for site supervisors
- Information about successful landscape management
- Information on rebates and incentive programs for irrigation equipment upgrades

Existing water customers will incur no hook-up fees and, in nearly all cases, the City of Santa Rosa will pay the costs of retrofitting your landscaping to accept recycled water. The Recycled Water Program team will carefully review and consider the best approach for your site. If yours is a site that requires a challenging retrofit, expenses may need to be shared. But you will still enjoy the benefit of reduced recycled water rates for many years to come.



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