

Cultivating a conservation culture

In California, we know how to save water. During the most recent drought, our East Bay community stepped up when we needed it most and helped our supplies go further. Thank you!

Let's keep up the good work. Last winter's rain and snow provided welcome relief, but climate change will continue to intensify the swings between drought and deluge. Creating a water conservation culture means engaging in everyday actions around our homes and yards that make a big difference today and tomorrow, rain or shine.

Here are our top water conservation tips this summer:

- 1.** Talk about conservation at home and collectively develop water conservation habits. Does your child tell you to shut off the water while brushing your teeth or does your teenager have a 5-minute shower playlist? Changing habits is the easiest way to save water.
- 2.** Make it a regular practice to check for indoor and outdoor leaks. The most common household leaks are in toilets and irrigation systems. Install a flowmeter that can help catch leaks early.
- 3.** Replace inefficient appliances and plumbing fixtures. Look for the WaterSense label on showerheads, faucets and toilets to help identify models that save water and perform well.
- 4.** Transform your yard into a water-wise garden with efficient irrigation and climate-appropriate plants. Water-wise gardens can sequester carbon and support birds and pollinators.

EBMUD is preparing for the future by diversifying our supplies, enhancing our own conservation practices, and making more recycled water available for irrigation and industrial cooling. Let's celebrate our savings and keep cultivating a water conservation culture together. EBMUD is here to help with rebates and tips at ebmud.com/waterconservation.

EBMUD has been providing safe, reliable, affordable water for a century. To meet the challenges ahead, we're investing \$2.8 billion over the next five years to upgrade aging infrastructure and ensure our system remains resilient and sustainable. New rates take effect July 1. Visit ebmud.com/rates.



Clean water begins with a healthy environment

You know EBMUD supplies high-quality drinking water and treats wastewater. But providing these services to East Bay communities requires an even broader mission. EBMUD is entrusted with responsibly managing the land and natural resources in our care for today's customers and future generations. At its core, EBMUD is an environmental and public health agency.

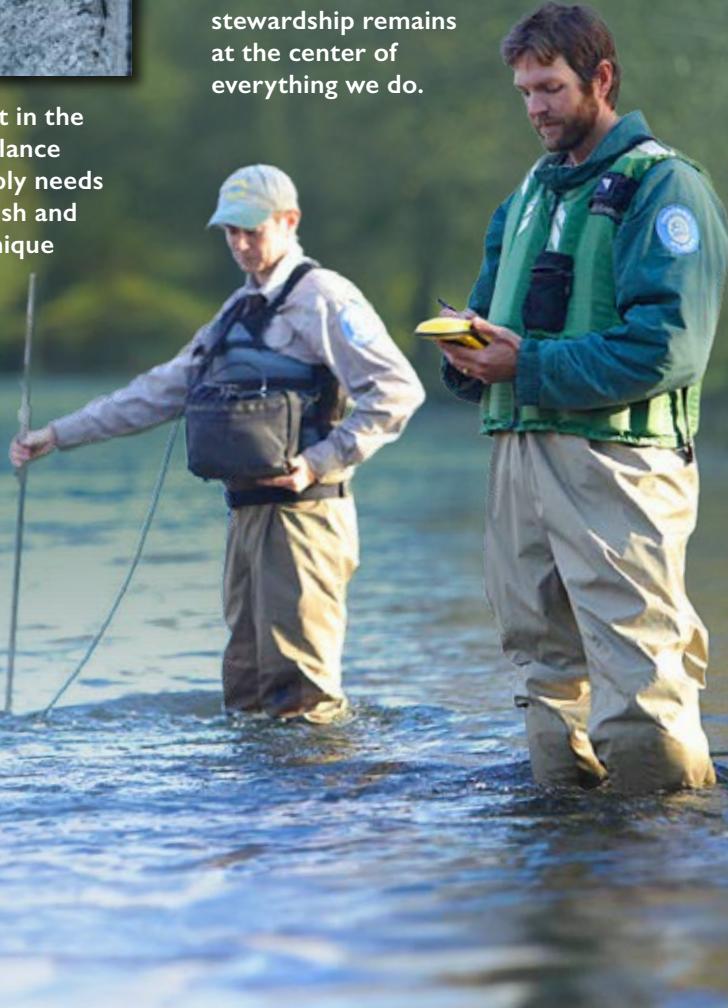
One example of our environmental stewardship is found on the Mokelumne River, where EBMUD supports one of the West Coast's most successful Chinook salmon fisheries. In collaboration with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, our habitat restoration efforts below EBMUD's Camanche Dam have sustained a healthy ecosystem and robust salmon returns. While accounting for just 2.5 percent of the freshwater flow to the San Joaquin Delta, the Mokelumne supports as much as 51 percent of

the commercial salmon catch for the entire state of California.



impediments to upstream migration on tributary creeks to improve access to critical spawning habitat.

For 100 years, from the Sierra Nevada to the San Francisco Bay, EBMUD has protected the watersheds and rivers that supply clean water for our community. Our region's prosperity and public health depend on it. As EBMUD begins its second century of service, our commitment to environmental stewardship remains at the center of everything we do.



EBMUD drinking water meets or exceeds every state and federal requirement that safeguards public health.

Read our 2022 Annual Water Quality Report at ebmud.com/waterquality.



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EBMUD Mission Statement

To manage the natural resources with which the District is entrusted; to provide reliable, high-quality water and wastewater services at fair and reasonable rates for the people of the East Bay; and to preserve and protect the environment for future generations.

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