



Landscape Rebate Program

Rebates up to \$2,000 residential \$15,000 commercial

Offer valid between January 1, 2024 and June 30, 2024

EBMUD's landscape rebates support water-wise gardens that thrive in California's summer-dry climate and during drought. Lower your water bill and conserve water when you convert your lawn to a sustainable landscape and upgrade to high-efficiency irrigation equipment.

REBATE PROCESS:

- 1** Select rebate(s) and submit completed application to waterconservation@ebmud.com.
- 2** After EBMUD approval, complete project within 9 months and submit documentation.
- 3** EBMUD will issue the rebate as a check within two months.

REBATE TYPES:

Lawn Conversion

- Standard
- Super
- Median Strips (for commercial customers)

Efficient Irrigation Equipment

- Smart Irrigation Controller
- Irrigation Flow Sensor
- Drip Conversion
- High-Efficiency Rotating Nozzles
- Pressure Regulator
- Irrigation Submeter

Design Assistance

- 2-hour site visit with an EBMUD-approved Landscape Designer

RESOURCES FOR A SUCCESSFUL PROJECT:

- 💡 Low-water plants for our local climate: ebmud.com/plants
- 💡 Garden design and maintenance guidance: ebmud.com/watersmart-gardener
- 💡 Tutorials and marketplace for sheet mulching: lawntogarden.org
- 💡 Virtual rebate office hours and webinars: ebmud.com/watersmart

Questions? Reach out to us at waterconservation@ebmud.com.

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Landscape Rebate Program Application

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Eligibility:

- Rebates are reserved for landscaped areas currently irrigated by an active potable EBMUD water service.
- EBMUD rebates are subject to terms, conditions, and available program funding.
- Rebates are issued as checks payable to the account holder and mailed to the billing address on file within two months of rebate approval. To request an alternate payee, submit a [Payee Change Request Form](#) for EBMUD approval.
- Maximum rebate amounts within a 24-month period are \$2,000 for residential properties up to 4 units, and \$15,000 for commercial, municipal, and multi-family properties over 4 units.
- Residential rebates that total \$600 or more in a tax year require submittal of a W-9 form to EBMUD prior to payment.

Return completed form to: waterconservation@ebmud.com or
EBMUD Landscape Rebate Program, P.O. Box 24055, MS 109, Oakland, CA 94623-1055

Customer Information

Property is:

Residential single- or multi-family 4 units or less
Maximum possible rebate: \$2,000

Multi-family over 4 units, municipal, or commercial
Maximum possible rebate: \$15,000

Irrigation only meter? Yes No

Check one:

Owner Tenant Property Manager Landscape Contractor

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 0

EBMUD Water Service Account

First Last

first.last@ebmud.com

375 11th St.

Name
(510)123-4567

Email

Installation Address

Oakland

CA 94623

Phone

Owner Email

City

State Zip Code

Check payable to:

EBMUD account holder (default)

Alternate payee ([form required](#)): _____

Check mailing address:

Billing address associated with my EBMUD account (default)

Alternate address: _____

Tax Notice

For residential customers applying for rebates that, individually or in combination total \$600 or more in a tax year, EBMUD requires the submittal of a W-9 form from the person receiving the payment prior to payment. All personal information provided within the W-9 will be kept confidential in accordance with the Consumer Privacy Act and other applicable state and federal law. If the total rebate amount is \$600 or more in a single calendar year, you will be issued a 1099 form in accordance with Internal Revenue Service requirements. Most residential rebates are excluded from gross income by state law and are not subject to state income tax, but these rebates may be taxable income under federal law. The determination of whether the rebate may be subject to tax is dependent on several variables, and it is recommended that you contact a tax professional for further information.

Agreement

I, the undersigned, understand that this is a limited, first-come/first-served program and that EBMUD is entitled to deny any application that does not meet program requirements. I have voluntarily determined to participate in EBMUD's Landscape Rebate Program. I have independently selected materials, supplies and labor for the purpose of performing the installation. I agree that all work performed will comply with applicable federal, state, and local law, ordinances and regulations. I agree that EBMUD may visit the premises and verify existing conditions and verify that the work has been performed. I understand that, during these inspections, EBMUD makes no determination with respect to whether materials and equipment are free of defects, the quality of the workmanship, or the suitability of the premises or the materials or equipment used for the installation. I also understand that the installation of irrigation equipment and landscape materials may not result in lower water bills. If this Application is approved by EBMUD and the work proceeds, I agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless EBMUD, its directors, officers, agents and employees against any and all loss, liability, expense, claims, suits and damages, including attorneys' fees, arising out of or relating to the installation of irrigation equipment and landscape materials and other elements of the work.

Please provide Property Owner signature and Applicant signature (if Applicant is not Property Owner) to process rebate application.

Property Owner Signature

First Last

Print Name

First Last

Date

1/1/2024

Applicant Signature

Print Name

Date



Lawn Conversion Application

Lawn Conversion Rebate Types – Each project is only eligible for one rebate type.

Standard Rebate:
\$1.00 per square foot

Super Rebate:
\$2.00 per square foot
*requires all items marked
with  below*

Median Strip Rebate:
\$2.00 per square foot
*commercial customers only,
see website for qualifying areas*

Step 1. Check each box to indicate you understand the requirements.

Is your lawn eligible for a rebate?

- Lawn has been actively maintained and irrigated by potable EBMUD water.
- Lawn conversion project has not started.
- Project will not begin until EBMUD provides notice of approval. EBMUD may need to perform an onsite pre-inspection.

Projects must not include:

- Artificial turf.
- Concrete, mortared, or glued paths or patios.
- Plants that need moderate to frequent watering once established.
- Plastic or non-biodegradable weed barriers, including landscape fabric and weed cloth.
- Low-water lawns from seed or sod.
- Plants listed as invasive on ebmud.com/plants.

Rebate Requirements: = Required for all rebates  = Only required for Super Rebate

Conversion method (select one)

Physical removal: Fast and effective, but can disturb and compact soil. Compost recommended to improve soil health.

-OR-



Sheet mulching: Layer cardboard, compost, and mulch on top of the lawn instead of physically removing or killing it with herbicides. For more information about this easy process, visit lawntogarden.org.

Plants

- Plants must cover 50% of the converted area once fully grown. Including a tree is recommended.
- Plants must be low-water-use. Low-water-use plants need little or no supplemental water once established. Check plant water use at: ccuh.ucdavis.edu/wucols-db. All edible plants are accepted for standard rebate projects.
- Majority of plants are native to California. Find CA native plants at calscape.org.

Materials

- Planted areas and exposed soil must be covered with 3 inches of mulch.
- New landscape may include pathways or patios as long as they are permeable, allowing water to pass through. Permeable materials can include pavers or brick filled with sand, gravel, or decomposed granite.
- Non-biodegradable weed barriers (e.g., landscape fabric, weed cloth, or plastic) are NOT allowed. Only biodegradable weed barriers (e.g., cardboard or paper) may be used.
- Compost must be applied (minimum 1/2 inch layer) as part of the sheet mulching process.

Irrigation

- If there is a sprinkler system currently in place, it must be removed, capped, or replaced with a drip system.*
- If installed, drip systems must have a pressure regulator and filter to ensure proper function.
- If there are plants with different watering needs, they must be placed on separate irrigation zones to avoid overwatering.

*Commercial projects may use high-efficiency sprinklers with EBMUD approval for a reduced rebate (conditions apply).

Project Timing

- Lawn conversion project will be completed within 9 months of project pre-approval.
- Plants will be installed between September and February.†

†Remainder of project (e.g., site preparation, sheet mulching) may be completed outside of this window.



Lawn Conversion Application

Step 2. Attach photos, confirm lawn area to be converted, and estimate rebate amount.

Attach several photos of the existing lawn area to this application.

Reminder: Non-irrigated lawns, dead lawns, and lawns already converted are not eligible for a rebate.

[Optional] Attach sketch of existing lawn area, a map outline, or landscape plans to clarify the lawn area to be converted.

Estimate your lawn conversion rebate:

(Projects must choose only one rebate type)

Tip: [measure online using Google Maps](#).

..... Standard	sq. ft. x \$1.00 =	\$.....	
600 Super	sq. ft. x \$2.00 =	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00..... Estimated Lawn Conversion Rebate Total <i>\$2,000 and \$15,000 rebate maximums apply</i>
..... Median Strip <i>(commercial only)</i>	sq. ft. x \$2.00 =	\$.....	

Step 3. Create a plant list. You may submit a plant list now or after rebate eligibility is confirmed and/or Design Assistance has been completed. You must submit a plant list before you install plants.

Provide a plant list.

Use the space below to list the plants planned for your lawn conversion area. Remember: plants must be climate appropriate and require little to no supplemental water once established. Visit ebmud.com/plants for suggestions of approved low-water-use plants. Check WUCOLS to confirm plant water use at: ccuh.ucdavis.edu/wucols-db.

Super Rebate: mark plants that are California native with an asterisk *.

- Achillea millefolium (yarrow)*
- Arctostaphylos glauca (manzanita)*
- Iris douglasiana (douglas iris)*
- Monardella villosa (coyote mint)*
- Penstemon heterophyllus (foothill penstemon)*
- Crassula arborescens (silver dollar plant)

You can list either common or scientific names for plants!

It is okay if your plant list changes, simply reach out to EBMUD staff to make sure that any added plants are eligible.

Step 4. Wait for EBMUD approval before beginning work.



Efficient Irrigation Equipment Application

To apply for irrigation equipment rebate(s), complete the corresponding section(s) of this page.
Check boxes to confirm understanding:

- Pre-approval is always required for rebates over \$200, all drip irrigation conversions, and commercial rebates.
- Residential rebates under \$200 may install equipment and request rebate within 90 days of purchase. Customers will still need to submit photos of the original equipment and receipts showing purchase date.
- Photos of existing equipment to be replaced are required, submit with rebate application.
- Receipts are required and must list the unit price for each piece of equipment.
- Rebate amounts are limited to the price of the equipment alone and do not include labor, shipping or taxes.

Irrigation Equipment Rebate Type				Requirements	
Smart Irrigation Controller				<input type="checkbox"/> Replace conventional irrigation controller with a "smart" weather adjusting model from EPA's WaterSense controllers list . <input type="checkbox"/> 2 or more stations must be in use (hose bib/faucet timers are not eligible for rebate). <input type="checkbox"/> Submit photos/screenshots showing old controller, newly installed controller, programmed irrigation schedule(s) with total run time(s), active zones, connection to active weather data or onsite weather station and receipt(s).	
Replace conventional irrigation controller with "smart" weather-adjusting model	Smart irrigation controller	Qty. 1	Up to \$100 each		Est. Rebate \$ 100
	Number of active stations above 12	Qty. 1	\$20 each		\$ 20
			Subtotal		\$ 120
<i>Maximum controller rebate of \$200 per controller for residential and \$1000 per controller for commercial</i>					
Irrigation Flow Sensor				<input type="checkbox"/> Must measure flow rate and total amount of water delivered to a landscape irrigation system. <input type="checkbox"/> Must communicate with a compatible irrigation controller to send alerts of high or low flow and be on EBMUD's qualifying list . <input type="checkbox"/> Submit photos/screenshots showing newly installed equipment, wire connected to sensor port, active connection with irrigation controller showing flow used per zone and receipt(s).	
Install an irrigation flow sensor to measure flow rates and detect leaks	Cost \$ 239	Qty. 1	50% of cost up to \$250 each		Est. Rebate \$ 120
Drip Irrigation				<input type="checkbox"/> Replace an entire zone of overhead sprinklers with drip irrigation. <input type="checkbox"/> Install filter and pressure regulator components, match emitters rates to soil type (0.4 – 0.6 gph recommended). <input type="checkbox"/> Planting areas should include mulch, no landscape weed cloth, and new plants should be low-water-use. <input type="checkbox"/> Submit photos of existing sprinklers; after completion submit photos showing installed drip, pressure regulator and filter, and receipt(s).	
Convert an irrigation zone currently on sprinklers to drip irrigation	<i>Lawn conversion rebate areas are not eligible for an additional drip rebate.</i>		Qty. 200		Up to \$0.25 per sq.ft.
	Drip irrigation area	200 sq.ft.			Est. Rebate \$ 50
High-Efficiency Rotating Nozzles				<input type="checkbox"/> Replace an entire irrigation zone of conventional spray nozzles with high efficiency nozzles from EBMUD's qualifying list . <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit little to no over spray on pavement and no blockage of spray by shrubs or other objects. <input type="checkbox"/> Submit photos of existing sprinklers; after completion submit photos of installed nozzles and receipt(s).	
Replace conventional fixed-spray sprinkler nozzles with high-efficiency rotating nozzles	High-efficiency rotating nozzle	Qty. 8	Up to \$4 each		Est. Rebate \$ 32
Pressure Regulator				<input type="checkbox"/> Must be installed upstream of irrigation valves to regulate entire system. <input type="checkbox"/> Must be made of metal (plastic drip system pressure regulators are not eligible). <input type="checkbox"/> Submit photos of installed equipment and receipt(s).	
Install a system-wide pressure regulator to improve performance and reduce wear and tear	Cost \$ 59.97	Qty. 1	50% of cost up to \$125 each		Est. Rebate \$ 30
Irrigation Submeter				<input type="checkbox"/> Must measure only irrigation water. <input type="checkbox"/> Must include a leak detection feature. <input type="checkbox"/> Submit photos of installed equipment and receipt(s).	
Install an irrigation submeter to monitor use and detect leaks	Cost \$ 167.30	Qty. 1	50% of cost up to \$200 each		Est. Rebate \$ 84

Estimated Irrigation Rebate Total \$ 436



Design Assistance Application

The **Landscape Design Assistance Program** provides reimbursement for a \$200, 2-hour visit with a professional landscape designer from **EBMUD's approved list** to assist customers with creating beautiful, waterwise gardens. The 2-hour visit aims to provide basic recommendations on plants, layout, and/or irrigation options. Participants pay the designer a \$200 fee at the time of service and are reimbursed by EBMUD upon the successful completion of their landscape project.

Eligibility:

- Participant must install a minimum 200 sq. ft. waterwise garden with low-water-use plants and efficient irrigation.
- Participant must use an EBMUD approved Landscape Designer, listed at ebmud.com/rebates.
- Participant may only utilize the Landscape Design Assistance Program one time per property.

Rebate Requirements:

- Step 1.** Submit **Design Assistance Application** and attach photos of landscape area to be converted (200 sq. ft. minimum). Participant must get approval before contacting an approved designer.
- Step 2.** After receiving approval, choose an EBMUD-approved Landscape Designer and schedule your 2-hour consultation.
- Step 3.** Pay the \$200 fee to the Landscape Designer at the time of service and submit the receipt to EBMUD. Design services outside of the \$200, 2-hour consultation that are contracted between the Participant and Designer will not be reimbursed by EBMUD.
- Step 4.** Complete landscape transformation to waterwise garden using low-water-use plants and ensuring efficient irrigation.
- Step 5.** Submit photos of completed project and receipt to EBMUD to receive your \$200 rebate. EBMUD **will not reimburse** the fee if the participant does not complete their landscape project.

Projects must not include:

- ⊘ Artificial turf.
- ⊘ Concrete, mortared, or glued paths or patios.
- ⊘ Plants that need moderate to frequent watering once established.
- ⊘ Plastic or non-biodegradable weed barriers, including landscape fabric and weed cloth.
- ⊘ Low-water lawns from seed or sod.
- ⊘ Plants listed as invasive on ebmud.com/plants.

Use the space below to describe what design services your LDAP consultation will focus on (e.g., lawn conversion, efficient irrigation upgrades, waterwise landscaping):

I need assistance planning my lawn conversion (plant selection and general layout) and advice on replacing my sprinkler system with efficient irrigation (options for equipment and scheduling).

Estimate size of project area: 600.00 sq. ft. (200 sq. ft. minimum)
Tip: [measure online using Google Maps](#).

Attach several photos of the area and/or irrigation equipment to be converted.

Check box below to indicate you understand and agree to the rebate terms and eligibility:

I intend to participate in the **Landscape Design Assistance Program** and agree to all rebate terms and conditions.

Lawn Conversion

Before – Photos of existing lawn



After – Photos of completed project

(Do not start work before EBMUD pre-approval)



Photos of completed project showing low water plants, 50% plant coverage, and 3in mulch



Photos of drip irrigation system, including pressure regulator and filter components, can push mulch aside to show tubing
(if drip irrigation was installed)

Photos of old sprinkler system capped or removed

Lawn Conversion – Super Rebate

Additionally includes all documentation required by standard lawn conversion rebate



Photos of sheet mulching process

123456

CUSTOMER'S ORDER NO. 123456		DATE 1/30/22	
NAME John Doe			
ADDRESS			
CITY, STATE, ZIP			
SOLD BY CASH C.O.D. CHARGE ON ACCT. MOSE. RETD. PART OUT			
QUAN.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	AMOUNT
1	2 yd ³ Compost	\$100	\$200.00
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			
11			
12			
RECEIVED BY			
<small>FORM NO. T-4002-1/0008</small>			
<small>KEEP THIS SLIP FOR REFERENCE</small>			

Photos of compost and/or compost receipts



Majority CA Native Plants
(include finalized plant list if changes from pre-approval).
Planted September - February.

Smart Irrigation Controller



Old controller



Installed new controller

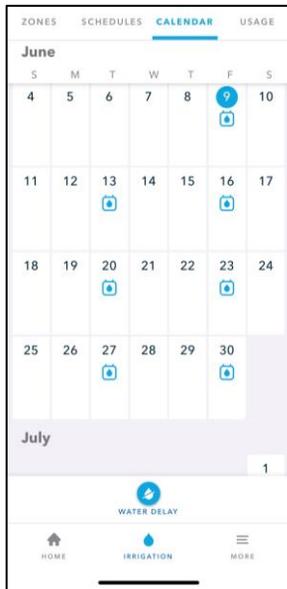


Installed new controller showing connected wiring

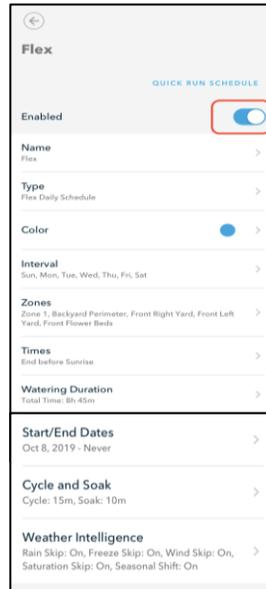
Current schedule, include items #1-4:



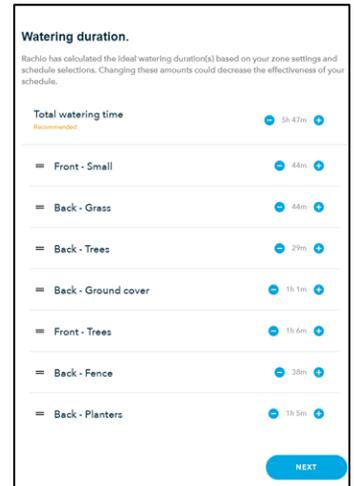
1) Irrigation zones/
number of active
stations (min. 2)



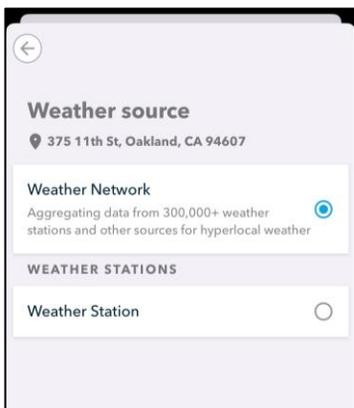
2) Calendar view of
watering days for
current month



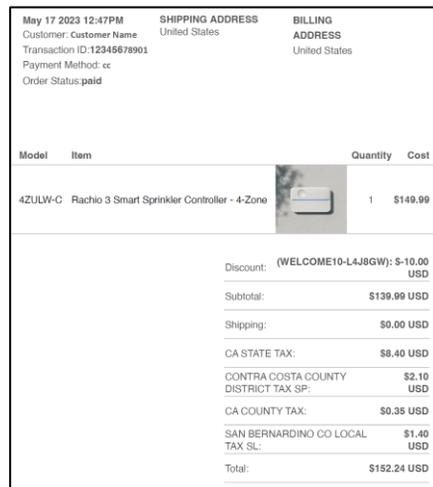
3) Detail of active
schedule(s), weather
features "on"



4) Detail of total watering
time per zone for active
schedule(s)



Active
connection to
weather network
or local weather
station



Receipt showing
item and
purchase date.
Purchase of
equipment **must**
be within **90**
days of
application date.

Drip Irrigation Conversion

Before – Photos of existing sprinklers



After – Photos of drip irrigation system & receipts

(Do not start work before EBMUD pre-approval)



Drip tubing and/or drip emitter close up



Drip tubing installed + mulch added

2090 MERIDIAN PK BLVD, CONCORD CA 94520 925-798-9600 RECEIPT REQUIRED FOR REFUND	077985004743 1/4" TUBING <A> RB 1/4IN TUBING - 100 FT (BIN 96) 298.28	165.43
0534 00004 25256 09/16/21 08:06 AM SALE CASHIER MAGDALENA	077985012588 EZ ADAPTER <A> EZ FIT 3/4IN FHT COUPLING (BIN 5)	4.28
	077985007980 EFPO75M <A> 3/4IN PIPE TO 1/2IN DWP ADPT (BIN 2)	4.20
	077985007966 EZFITC/1PK <A> EZ FIT COUPLING (BIN 87)	8.68
	077985891053 3/4" ASSY <A> RB 6" SWG PIPE ASMBLY 1/2"X3/4" MPT 492.67	10.58
	077985040857 1" FILTER <A> RB 1" V FILTER (BIN 141)	12.81
	077985069391 PVC TO DRIP <A> RB 1/2" PVC TO DRIP COUPLING 681.57	9.42
	046878381063 PVC NIPPLE 1" X 4" RISER 280.84	1.58
	SUBTOTAL	165.43
	TOTAL	\$181.56
	CASH	200.00
	Cf Amount DUE	18.45

Receipts showing cost of drip equipment
(does not include tax or labor)



Drip pressure regulator and filter components

High-Efficiency Rotating Nozzles



Before- Irrigation zone watered with inefficient fixed spray sprinklers that are causing misting, overspray and runoff.



After- Irrigation zone watered with high-efficiency rotating nozzles.

08-31-21 14:14	Till: 600
MP 600 SR90	\$151.81
19.0 @ \$7.99	
MP 1000 SR90	\$79.90
10.0 @ \$7.99	
Contractor Discount	-23.17
Discount: -23.17	
Item Count: 30	Subtotal: \$208.54
Sales Tax Total: \$18.25	
Total: \$226.79	
Receipt: 501306	
7455 03227D	Visa \$226.79

								INVOICE 772571	
								By: dr	
INVOICE DATE		CUST. NO.		PAGE #					
08/16/21		24755		1					
ORDER DATE		ORDER NUMBER							
08/16/21		782634							
PURCHASE ORDER									
LINE NO.	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ORDER QTY	B.O. QTY	SHIP QTY	LIST PRICE	UNIT PRICE	EXTENSION	
001S	HUMP100090	HUNTER 90-210 DEGREE 8-15" MP ROTATOR	50		50	11.15	7.25	362.50	
002S	436102	SCH 40 1" X 3/4" MALE ADAPTER S X T	1		1	1.18	.94	.94	
003S	SECPR50M	SENNINGER 1" 50 LB CONSTANT PRESSURE REG	1		1	36.00	32.40	32.40	
CELEBRATING OUR 40TH ANNIVERSARY CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE									

Receipt showing items and purchase date. Purchase of the equipment must be within 90 days of the application date.

Pressure Regulator



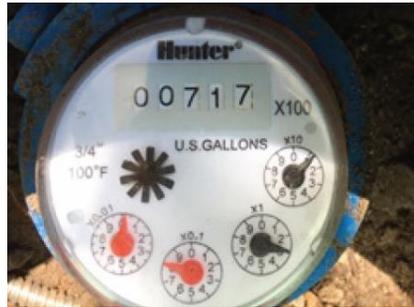
Photo of installed pressure regulator. Must be brass or bronze and installed upstream of entire irrigation system.



Order Number WM33	Order Date Mar. 06, 2021			
Item	Unit Price	Qty	Item Total	
 3/4 in. x 3/4 in. Lead Free Bronze FNPT Pressure Reducing Valve	\$59.97	1	\$59.97	
	Store SKU # 1005067609			
	Internet # 312230648			

Receipt showing item and purchase date. Purchase must be within 90 days of the application date.

Irrigation Submeter



Photos of installed irrigation submeter, measuring only irrigation water. Include close-up to show leak detection feature (or screenshot of app if applicable).

LINE NO.	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ORDER QTY	B.O. QTY	SHIP QTY	LIST PRICE	UNIT PRICE	EXTENSION
001S	HUHC075P	HUNTER FLOW METER WITH 3/4" NPT	1-		1-	211.00	147.70	147.70
		Original invoice 772281 of 08/12/2021						
002S	HUHC100P	HUNTER FLOW METER WITH 1" NPT	1		1	239.00	167.30	167.30
003S	436010	SCH 40 1" MALE ADAPTER	2		2	1.20	.84	1.68
004S	835010	SCH 80 1" FEMALE ADAPTER	2		2	26.96	6.20	12.40
005S	AFSA700	AGRIFIM SOCKET ADAPTER	2		2	.92	.69	1.38
006S	W1LS	WILKINS 1" STRAINER	1		1	59.90	41.93	41.93

INVOICE 773252

INVOICE DATE	CUST. NO.	PAGE #
08/25/21	24755	1
ORDER DATE	ORDER NUMBER	
08/25/21	763331	
PURCHASE ORDER		

Receipt showing item and purchase date. Purchase must be within 90 days of the application date.