Keep San Francisco Bay off drugs

Not too long ago the public was told for safety reasons to flush their unused medicine down the toilet. We now know pharmaceutical drugs cannot be fully removed by traditional wastewater treatment processes and can end up in San Francisco Bay. Today, the best way to protect the Bay and safely get rid of your expired and unwanted medicines is to discard them at a designated collection site. Bring your unwanted or expired drugs to one of the following locations:

Alameda
Alameda Police Station
1555 Oak Street
Mon – Sun, 8am – 8pm

Berkeley
Berkeley Transfer Station
1201 2nd Street
Mon – Sat, 8am – 4:30pm

United Pharmacy
2929 Telegraph Ave.
Mon – Fri, 9am – 6pm;
Sat, 9am – 2pm

El Cerrito
El Cerrito Recycling Center
7501 Schmidt Lane
Mon – Fri, 8am – 4:45pm;
Sat – Sun, 9am – 4:45pm

Emeryville
Emeryville Senior Center
4321 Salem Street
Mon – Fri, 9am – 5pm

Oakland
EBMUD Administrative
Building Lobby
375 11th Street at
Franklin St.
Mon – Fri, 8am – 4:30pm,
except EBMUD holidays

El Hu Harris State
Building Lobby
1515 Clay Street
Mon – Fri, 8am – 5pm,
except state holidays

Oakland Fire Department
1401 98th Ave. at International Blvd.,
or 1445 14th Street at
Mandela Parkway
Every day 8am – 8pm
(ring the doorbell)

Additional drop-off locations can be found at ebmud.com.

Remember to remove or black out prescription labels on liquid bottles before discarding. To protect your privacy, recycle your pill bottles at home.

Empty all pills and capsules into a plastic zipper bag before discarding. Liquids may be disposed of in their original original leak-proof containers. Controlled substances (narcotics) should not be discarded in the disposal bins. Vitamins and supplements may be disposed of safely in your trash.
Summer weather lasts well into fall in the East Bay, giving you and your family more weekends to enjoy the outdoor activities at San Pablo Reservoir. At EBMUD’s largest East Bay reservoir and recreation area, you can hike, picnic, fish, kayak and canoe through October 31.

San Pablo is stocked regularly with trout and catfish and is known as one of the finest fisheries in the East Bay. Pick up a fishing license, bait and tackle at the visitor center. Talk with knowledgeable staff who can give you tips on the best fishing spots. Patio boats, deluxe motor boats, kayaks and rowboats are available for rental every day.

During summer and fall, the park and reservoir is open daily from sunrise to approximately one hour before sunset. Dogs are welcome in certain areas. Entry to San Pablo Reservoir per vehicle is $7 and the daily fishing pass is $5.

Visit [ebmud.com](http://ebmud.com) for more information on fees, hours and a trail map.

Enjoy family fishing at San Pablo Reservoir

The 1,000-acre recreation area and reservoir is located at 7301 San Pablo Dam Road in El Sobrante.

Commercial customers save water

Conserving water at home is common practice for East Bay residents, but have you thought about how to save water at your workplace?

Eleven East Bay businesses, government agencies and a school are the newest certified EBMUD WaterSmart businesses. These companies and organizations combined saved more than 25 million gallons over the past year thanks to their WaterSmart actions. The Blackhawk Homeowners Association saved the most water by replacing lawn areas with drought-tolerant plants and improving their irrigation control systems.

Congratulations and thank you to:
- Alameda County Environmental Health, Alameda
- Berkeley Minicar, Berkeley
- Blackhawk Homeowners Association, Danville
- Captain Vineyards, Moraga
- Castro Valley Sanitary District, Castro Valley
- Clif Bar, Emeryville
- Contra Costa Jewish Day School, Lafayette
- Holli Street Investors (two locations), Emeryville
- USE Credit Union, Berkeley
- West County Wastewater District, North Richmond
- Wind River Systems, Alameda

EBMUD rebates can make your home or business more water efficient. Visit [ebmud.com/watersmart](http://ebmud.com/watersmart) for information.