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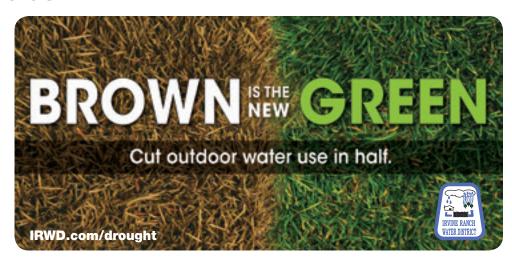
- 1. The #1 Way to Save Water Right Now: Cut Outdoor Watering in Half.
 - Your water-thirsty lawn needs the most water during the hot summer months. Let it go brown to save water and money.
- 2. Attend a Free Landscape

Workshop. IRWD offers free landscape seminars on drought tolerant plants at our offices at 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue in Irvine. Sign up at **irwd.com/events**.

Wednesday, August 5 • 6 p.m.–8 p.m.

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Wednesday, August 26 • 6 p.m.–8 p.m.



- 3. Get a Free Home Water Check-Up. For customers with high water bills, IRWD water specialists can come to your house and check your water usage for free. They can help you find out if you have a water leak, are overwatering your yard, and can find new ways for you to help reduce your water use. Sign up at irwd.com/drought.
- **4. Turf Removal Rebate: Apply Now, Plant Later.** IRWD Customers can receive up to \$2 per square foot of grass removed, up to a maximum of 3,000 square feet. Reserve funding for the program now and get an extension to install your drought tolerant plants in the fall when the weather is more appropriate. For full details, visit **irwd.com/rebates**.
- **5. Take Advantage of Resources.** IRWD offers more answers to all your drought questions, including plant resources and a list of local landscapers at **irwd.com/drought**.



This is what a 100% drought tolerant landscape can look like.

What Else Can You Do?

Visit the IRWD Drought Tolerant Demonstration Garden for ideas.

IRWD has over 80 types of drought tolerant plants to see at 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue in Irvine, open from dawn until dusk, 365 days a year.

Attend the Drought Survival Expo

Saturday, September 12 • 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. IRWD, 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine

Learn how to self-install a beautiful, drought-tolerant garden and reduce your water use and ultimately your water bill.

RightScape[™] Your Landscape: Win a Garden Makeover

Win a drought-tolerant landscape makeover valued up to \$6,000! Participants may sign up anytime from July 1 through August 31, but the sooner the better!

To enter:

- 1. Sign up to be a Drought Survivor at irwd.com/drought from July 1 through August 31.
- 2. Contestants must reduce their water usage for each of the summer months, July-September, comparing 2014 vs. 2015.
- 3. The top three contestants with the highest water reduction percentage will win the landscape makeover.

Contest runs through September 30. Three winners will be announced by October 15 and receive a free landscape makeover, valued up to \$6,000.

For full contest details, rules and regulations, visit irwd.com/drought.



Resident Tours: Learn Where Your Water Comes From

Now is your chance to take a tour of our expanded Michelson Water Recycling Plant and learn what happens to water after it goes down the drain.



Friday, Sepetmber 18 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 26 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Included in the itinerary is a tour of the Michelson Water Recycling Plant, a bus trip to the San Joaquin Reservoir, and a visit to the San Joaquin Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary.

These free tours are offered to those who work or live within the IRWD service area.

To sign up, visit irwd.com/learning/tours.



Save the Date

Drought Survival Expo

Saturday, September 12 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

IRWD 15600 Sand Canyon Ave. Irvine

Join us for plant demonstrations, advice from garden experts, landscape workshops, family activities, and more!

RSVP:

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