



**DELIVERING
HIGH-QUALITY,
RELIABLE
WATER**

2023 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT NOW AVAILABLE

Our mission is to ensure the delivery of a high-quality, reliable water supply at the lowest reasonable price. Our 2023 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), which provides information on San Juan Water District's 2023 water quality, is now available for review. We are proud to announce that, once again, our water meets all state and federal drinking water standards.

The 2023 CCR was mailed or distributed in an e-newsletter to customers of our five wholesale agencies, and is also available on our website, at sjwd.org/consumer-confidence-reports.

2023 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT



This report is published by the San Juan Wholesale Customer Agencies: San Juan Water District, Citrus Heights Water District, Fair Oaks Water District and Orange Vale Water Company. San Juan Water District provides reliable, high-quality water supplies to our customers. We serve nearly 151,000 customers in our retail and wholesale service areas throughout Sacramento and Placer counties. We test our surface water, which comes from the American River watershed, and our local groundwater for microbiological and chemical quality. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the State Water Resources Control Board maintain strict water quality standards designed to protect customers from waterborne disease organisms and harmful chemicals. As a public water agency, we are required by the U.S. EPA to provide you with an annual Consumer Confidence Report.

This report provides you with information about drinking water quality and how we comply with drinking water quality standards. As your water provider, we are proud to report this year's CCR concludes that, once again, **your drinking water meets all federal and state drinking water standards.**

WHERE DOES YOUR WATER COME FROM?

Water from the Agencies comes from two sources: treated surface water and groundwater. San Juan Water District diverts and treats surface water from Folsom Lake. This treated water is then distributed to the Agencies. Orange Vale Water Company and San Juan Water District receive 100 percent of their supply from treated surface water. If you are a consumer of Citrus Heights or Fair Oaks water districts, your water is a mixture of treated surface water from San Juan Water District and groundwater from local wells.

SWD - 100% surface water
OWC - 100% surface water
CHWD - 90% surface water, 10% groundwater
FOWD - 64.6% surface water, 35.4% groundwater

Source water assessments have been conducted for all the water sources to enable the Agencies to understand the activities that have the greatest potential for contaminating the drinking water supplies. The groundwater sources were assessed in 2002 and the surface water source was evaluated in 2001. New wells for Citrus Heights Water District were assessed in 2008, 2009, and 2015. New wells for Fair Oaks Water District were assessed in 2014 and 2020. These assessments were conducted in accordance with State Water Board guidelines and copies of the complete assessments are available for review at the respective agency offices.

San Juan Water District conducted the evaluation of the Folsom Lake source. It was found to be most vulnerable to potential contamination from the Folsom Lake State Recreation Area facilities, high-density housing and associated activities such as sewer and septic systems and fertilizer, pesticide and herbicide application, as well as illegal activities and dumping. In addition, San Juan Water District conducts a watershed sanitary survey update every five years for the Folsom Lake source. This survey evaluates the water quality and potential contaminating activities in the watershed to ensure adequate treatment is provided and water quality regulations have been met. The most recent update was completed in December 2023. The source water is typically treated using conventional treatment with filtration and disinfection that is designed to remove many contaminants. Again this year, your water meets all federal and state drinking water standards.

Citrus Heights and Fair Oaks water districts conducted assessments of their local groundwater wells. It was found that all the wells are vulnerable to commercial urban activities, such as active and leaking gas stations, dry cleaners, leaking underground storage tanks, known contaminant plumes, automobile repair shops, and sewer collection systems, none of which are associated with any detected contaminants. One well for Fair Oaks Water District was found to be vulnerable to irrigation, associated with low level detects of nitrate.

Although Orange Vale Water Company does not currently utilize available local groundwater, assessments found that wells within their service area would be most vulnerable to rural grazing activities.



2025 POSTER CONTEST WINNERS SELECTED

Each year, San Juan Water District partners with Citrus Heights Water District, Fair Oaks Water District, and Orange Vale Water Company to host a water awareness poster contest in local elementary schools.

Congratulations to this year's winners! Their posters are featured in the 2025 calendar, which is now available! To pick up a free copy, please stop by our office, at **9935 Auburn-Folsom Road in Granite Bay.**

Pictured (left to right):

**Second Place: Jiyay Singh, 5th grade,
Ms. Renfand's class**

**Grand Prize: Nikki Sekhon, 5th grade,
Ms. Renfand's class**

**First Place: Nixon Crosby, 5th grade,
Ms. Redmond's class**

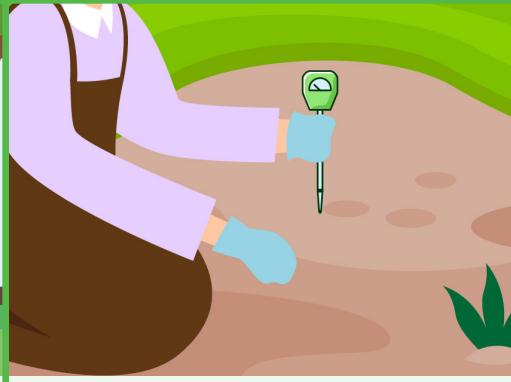
**Third Place: Adrienne Shelley, 5th grade,
Ms. Whitlow's class**

HELP YOUR LANDSCAPE THRIVE THIS SUMMER

It's summertime! Is your landscape ready? Along with the warmer weather and longer days, irrigation demands also increase during the summer months. Follow these tips and techniques to help your landscape thrive this summer:



USE MULCH. Adding just a few inches of mulch around landscape or trees can help save a significant amount of water.



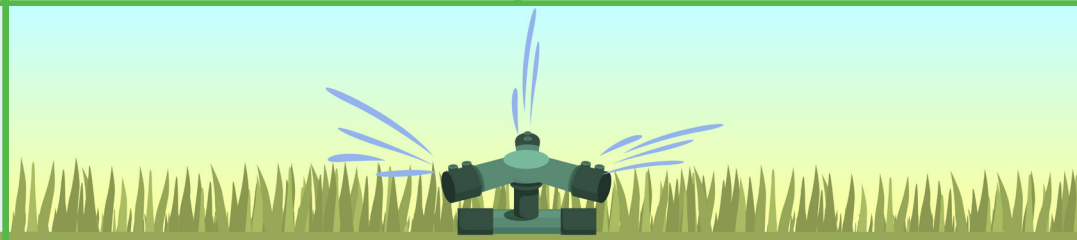
AVOID OVER-WATERING. Check the soil moisture level around your plants to see if they need water.



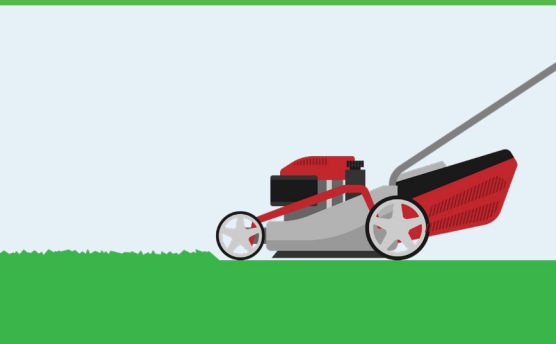
CHOOSE NATIVE AND LOW-WATER PLANT VARIETIES. A water efficient landscape can help you save more than 500 gallons of water each year.



INSPECT YOUR IRRIGATION SYSTEM. Check for broken, clogged, or missing sprinkler heads, and look for any leaks or loose connections in hoses and pipes.



UPGRADE YOUR SPRINKLERS. Replacing pop-up sprinklers with more efficient rotator sprinklers can help reduce water use by as much as 30 percent every time you run them. Rotator sprinklers deliver heavy droplets of water at a slower rate, which is more easily absorbed by the soil.



RAISE THE BLADES ON YOUR LAWMOWER. Longer grass provides shade to the roots and soil underneath, which helps reduce how often you need to water your lawn.



WATER IN THE EARLY MORNING. Set your sprinklers to run first thing in the morning to reduce water loss from evaporation.

CYCLE AND SOAK. If you have a traditional, non-weather-based sprinkler timer, program it to cycle and soak. This method applies water to your yard in three- to four-minute increments spaced an hour apart, allowing the water to be better absorbed by the soil and reducing run-off.

BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE CHANGE



Starting in July 2024, our Board of Directors will meet on the third Wednesday of the month, instead of the fourth Wednesday. For additional information, and to view upcoming meeting agendas, please visit sjwd.org/board-meetings.

PENDING LAWSUIT

In April, San Juan received a lawsuit from two of its wholesale customer agencies, Citrus Heights Water District and Fair Oaks Water District, alleging that the wholesale water rates adopted in December 2023 are illegal. For more information about the lawsuit and our response to the allegations, please visit sjwd.org.

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