

ACONA Meeting Notes, May 26, 2015

Following introductions, the following topics were covered:

The Drought & Conservation Actions - Nina Jazmadarian, General Manager, Foothill Municipal Water District
FMWD Conservation Rebates URL: <http://www.fmwd.com/Conservation.aspx>

Lots of detail in the PowerPoint presentation:

Drought facts
Governor's mandates
Watering restrictions

Rebates for lawns and lawn products, rain barrels and cisterns, bathrooms, laundry rooms. Residential and commercial rebates are available.

MWD is still offering turf replacement rebate of \$2/sq ft, but with a cap of \$6,000 for residential properties. Application on <http://www.socalwatersmart.com/index.php/home/?p=res>.
70-80% of water use in the FWMD is outdoors.

Percentage water reductions imposed by the governor are not based on individual users, but on water districts. While conservation needs to trickle down to all levels, it's the large water users who will be the focus.

ePIPE relines your pipes to prevent leaks, in lieu of repiping. <http://restoremypipes.com> (Note: This is a commercial enterprise, not a government site.)

FMWD sometimes offers rainbarrels at a discount (see the PowerPoint); Amazon and Home Depot are also suppliers.

Robocalls & the Do Not Call List - Gerald Phillips, Field Representative for Assemblymember Chris Holden.
National Do Not Call Registry: <http://www.donotcall.gov>

Good idea to reregister annually on the Do Not Call registry (although many say it does not work).

Some strategies people have used that work:

- Answer the phone in a different language than English.
- Ask to talk to the manager.
- Answer with a fake identifier "State Insane Asylum. Are you calling for an appointment?"
- Purchase a robocall blocker from an electronics store.

Another possible option: check out **nomorobo.com** to see if this free robocall blocking service is available for your carrier. Presently not available for landlines or wireless services, but available for VOIP phone services.
