What is a Water Allocation Plan?

A water allocation plan gives customers more flexibility within the water-wise rules. Rather than a three-day limit, it allows you to use a specific amount of water for your landscape from May 1 to October 15. It does not provide “extra” water and you will still need to run sprinklers before 10 a.m. and after 6 p.m. during this time of year, unless you demonstrate a critical need. All other water-wise rules apply year-round.

Who can apply for a WAP?

Any customer with a large landscape, complex sprinkler system or soil conditions which make it difficult to follow the three-days-per-week watering rule may apply.

Email us at WAP@csu.org

Which sites might benefit from an allocation plan?

- Sites with multiple meters and controllers
- Sites requiring more than 12 hours to water all zones one time
- Sites with smart controllers
- Sites with very sandy soil

How is the allocation determined?

The water allocation is based on the area of your landscape that is watered regularly. The qualified landscape area is multiplied by 24 inches. The result is the allocation amount.

When are the plans in effect?

Water allocation plans are valid May 1 to October 15 and expire after five years or when water service stops. Watering before May 1 or after October 15 will not count towards your allocation total.

How to apply:

Online: csu.org
Email: WAP@csu.org

In person: Conservation and Environmental Center, 2855 Mesa Road (M-F, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.)

Water each zone no more than three days per week and follow all other water-wise rules until you receive written approval of your plan.

Include any required site information documents:

- Business customers, multi-family customers and single-family residential customers with lots 20,000 square feet or larger are required to submit site information with their application. Review the application rules to learn more.
- No additional site information is required for single-family residential customers with lots under 20,000 square feet.