

Rebate Program Guidelines and Terms of Use

Beginning in 2017, Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District will begin awarding rebates to qualified applicants, for the implication of rainwater catchment systems, and the installation of efficient toilets and shower heads. There will also be a special program available to any facility that utilizes pre-rinse spray nozzles as part of a dish washing system. The purpose of this document is to give structure to, and establish guidelines for these programs.

Rainwater System Rebate

In order to qualify for a rebate, applicants must submit contact information (including address of project), available receipts for all project materials, picture proof of system installation, and a brief written summary of their rainwater catchment system uses. The written summary will serve only to provide TCRCD staff with a description of work done so that projects of exceptional quality or creativity may be recognized. Picture proof of installation should include images of the installed water storage unit (either tanks, or barrels), including a date stamp. The amount rebated to applicants will be determined by the submitted receipts for either water storage tanks, or barrels showing the storage capacity of the system. The amount rebated for systems with a capacity greater than one hundred and sixty five gallons shall be thirty cents per gallon of system storage capacity. The amount rebated for systems with a capacity less than that amount shall be one dollar per gallon of system capacity. This is to allow smaller systems to be outfitted with rain barrels which have a higher cost to gallon ratio. However, the limit of one hundred and sixty five gallons is in place to encourage efficient system application. All other submitted receipts shall not be considered during rebate calculation and will serve only to supply TCRCD with a total cost of each project completed, for records and calculations. As such, the only receipts mandatory to receive a rebate will be those for water storage tanks or barrels.

Note: All systems submitted for rebate must appear to be in compliance with state and local guidelines. However, the receipt of a rebate check from TCRCD shall not be construed as to certify that a system is in compliance with those guidelines. If pictures submitted to TCRCD in an application show system features that are out of compliance, TCRCD will not act on the application until such issues are proven to be resolved, and the application shall be marked "not yet eligible". If an application is marked as such, the applicants will be made aware of the reason for which their application was not approved. All applications shall be processed as soon as possible, however applicants should allow up to six months for the rebate process to be completed.

Low Pre-rinse Spray Nozzles

TCRCD shall provide one low flow pre-rinse spray nozzle to any establishment currently using a pre-rinse dish cleaning system, upon agreement to implement the provided device for a period of no less than two years or as long as the nozzle is functional. To receive a low flow nozzle, a management official of each establishment must contact george@tcrd.org and request an application. Once submitted, TCRCD will supply the device.