

Funding Agreement between State of California Department of Water Resources and City of Santa Rosa for Direct Install Water Use Efficiency Project

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What is a Direct Install Program?

Purchase and installation of toilet and fixtures* at no cost to Santa Rosa Water customers.

- showerheads, bathroom faucet aerators, kitchen faucet aerators

Past Programs

- Past toilet and fixture programs
 - Over 50,000 toilets replaced since 1992
 - Rebate program
 - Direct install program
 - Distribution program
 - Free fixtures available to all Santa Rosa customers



Funding Agreement

- Department of Water Resources Agreement:
\$1,500,000
 - Funding from Budget Act of 2022
- Santa Rosa Water match: \$0 + staff time costs
- State will disburse the whole of the State funding with first invoice submittal

Agreement Terms

DWR responsibilities:

- Provide payment and Audit Awardees

Santa Rosa Water responsibilities:

- Submit invoice
- Submit Annual Progress Reports and Final Completion Report
- Implement Direct Install WUE Program

Proposed Direct Install Program

Toilets

- Remove and recycle 1.6 or more gallons per flush (gpf) toilet
- Replace with either 1.1 gpf or 0.8 gpf toilet

Fixtures

- Remove showerheads, bathroom faucets aerators, kitchen faucet aerators
- Replace with high efficiency models

Open to all customer classes

First come, first serve

Replace ~2,000 toilets

Next Steps if Approved

- Release Request for Qualifications to create list of qualified plumbers
- Select qualified plumbers
- Advertise program emphasizing:
 - Mobile home park residents
 - Help-to-Others customers
- Launch program
- Submit invoice to DWR for total payment not before June 2023
- Expend funding by June 2026

Recommendation

It is recommended by the Contract Review Subcommittee and Santa Rosa Water staff that the Board of Public Utilities, by resolution, approve the Funding Agreement between the State of California Department of Water Resources and the City of Santa Rosa to implement the Direct Install Water Use Efficiency Project, and authorize the Director of Santa Rosa Water to execute the Funding Agreement and related documents.



Questions?