



MWELO Project Information

On April 1, 2015, Governor Brown issued Executive Order, EO B-29-15 directing the Department of Water Resources to update a previous Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO) to be more stringent and reduce landscape water use. Effective December 1, 2015, local agencies are required to enforce the MWELO within their jurisdictions. More information can be found at <http://www.water.ca.gov/wateruseefficiency/landscapeordinance/>

Project Information:

Owner: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Site Address: _____

Project Type: ☐ Residential ☐ Non-residential ☐ Landscape rehabilitation

- ☐ This construction project is exempt because there will not be more than 500 sq ft of landscape area installed. *(This provision is applicable to residential and non-residential projects)*
- ☐ Currently, this project does not include landscaping. I am aware that future landscape installations may be required to comply with the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO) requirements per California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division 2, Chapter 2.7.
- ☐ The project does incorporate landscaping and will comply with an MWELO Master Plan specific to the subdivision. Subdivision Name: _____
- ☐ This project does incorporate landscaping in excess of 500 sq ft. *(Please provide the information below and specify the compliance method to be used):*

Total Landscape Area (sq. ft.): _____

Turf Area (sq. ft.): _____

(For residential projects the total turf area shall not exceed 25% of the landscape area. Turf is not allowed in non-residential projects.)

Compliance Method

- ☐ Prescriptive *(The prescriptive compliance method, also known as Appendix D, may only be used for landscape areas 2500 sq. ft. or less. Items included in Appendix D Checklist on the reverse side shall be included on plans.)*
- ☐ Performance *(See separate Performance Checklist and include information on plans.)*

Signature

I certify the above information is correct and agree to comply with the requirements of the MWELO.

Signature of property owner or authorized representative

Date

LANDSCAPE WATER-EFFICIENCY (MWELO) APPENDIX – D CHECKLIST
(Can only be used when aggregate landscape areas are 2,500 square feet or less)

Landscape Parameter	Design Measures	Location on Plans
Compost	Incorporate compost at a rate of at least four (4) cubic yards per 1,000 sq. ft. to a depth of 6 inches into landscape area (unless contra-indicated by a soil test).	
Plant Water Use	<u>Residential:</u> Install climate adapted plants that require occasional, little or no summer water (average WUCOLS plant factor 0.3) for 75% of the plant area excluding edibles and areas using recycled water. <u>Non-residential:</u> Install climate adapted plants that require occasional, little or no summer water (average WUCOLS plant factor 0.3) for 100% of the plant area excluding edibles and areas using recycled water.	
Mulch	A minimum 3-inch layer of mulch should be applied on all exposed soil surfaces of planting areas, except in areas of turf or creeping or rooting groundcovers.	
Turf	Total turf area shall not exceed 25% of the landscape area. Turf is not allowed in non-residential projects.	
	Turf (if utilized) is limited to slopes not exceeding 25% and is not used in parkways less than 10 feet in width.	
	Turf, if utilized in parkways is irrigated by sub-surface irrigation or other technology that prevents overspray or runoff.	
Irrigation System	Irrigation controllers use evapotranspiration or soil moisture data and utilize a rain sensor.	
	Irrigation controller programming data will not be lost due to an interruption in the primary power source.	
	Areas less than 10 feet in any direction utilize sub-surface irrigation or other technology that prevents overspray or runoff.	
	A private landscape submeter is installed at non-residential landscape areas of 1,000 sq. ft. or more.	
Certificate of Completion	At the time of final inspection Parts 1 and 2 of the certificate shall be signed and evidence showing compliance with Parts 3 and 4 shall be demonstrated.	

Note

For the purposes of this form landscape area includes all the planting areas, turf areas, and water features in a landscape design plan subject to the Maximum Applied Water Allowance calculation. The landscape area does not include footprints of buildings or structures, sidewalks, driveways, parking lots, decks, patios, gravel or stone walks, other pervious or non-pervious hardscapes, and other non-irrigated areas designated for non-development (e.g., open spaces and existing native vegetation).

Signature

I agree to comply with the requirements of the prescriptive compliance option of the MWELO per Appendix D.

Signature of property owner or authorized representative

Date