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## **WEST BASIN INCREASES POPULAR GRASS REPLACEMENT REBATE TO \$3 PER SQUARE FOOT**

*Additional financial incentive and free classes further encourage outdoor water use efficiency*

**CARSON, Calif.** – Beginning July 1, the [West Basin Municipal Water District](http://www.westbasin.org) (West Basin) will add one dollar to the popular Turf Replacement Program rebate offered by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD). The extra dollar, approved by the West Basin Board of Directors, will increase the total rebate incentive for eligible applicants to \$3 or more per square foot of grass removed. The District is also offering a free series of grass replacement classes to encourage residents and businesses of the West Basin [service area](#) to apply for the increased rebate.

“In keeping with our goal of long-term local water reliability, West Basin is pleased to offer an extra dollar per square foot to encourage replacing thirsty lawns and grass with drought tolerant plants and landscaping across our service area,” said West Basin Board President Scott Houston. “This additional financial incentive, combined with free classes and conservation education, will further help our District ensure a sustainable water future.”

The free classes, which kick off in June and last through October, will help attendees understand program requirements, learn how to properly remove grass and successfully convert their yards to a drought tolerant, California Friendly landscape.

The grass replacement class schedule includes:

- **West Basin MWD Board Room, Carson, Calif. – Division I**  
June 26, 2019, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- **Inglewood City Hall, Inglewood, Calif. – Division II**  
July 16, 2019, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- **Hermosa Beach Community Center, Hermosa Beach, Calif. – Division III**  
August 29, 2019, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- **Veterans Memorial Building, Culver City, Calif. – Division IV**  
September 18, 2019, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- **Ken Nakaoka Community Center, Gardena, Calif. – Division V**  
October 30, 2019, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Service area residents may RSVP for any class by visiting [www.westbasin.org/grass-replacement](http://www.westbasin.org/grass-replacement) or calling (310) 371-7222. Registration is required for event attendance. Space is limited and refreshments will be provided. Class attendance is not required for rebate eligibility. More information about MWD’s Turf Replacement Program and other water-saving rebate programs is available at [www.bewaterwise.com](http://www.bewaterwise.com).

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*West Basin Municipal Water District (West Basin) is a wholesale water agency that serves nearly one million people in 17 cities and unincorporated areas in Los Angeles County. West Basin provides imported drinking water, recycled water, and conservation and education programs. Through its Water for Tomorrow Program, West Basin is committed to protecting, diversifying, and securing our water supply for the future while continuing a history of innovation and industry leadership. Visit [www.westbasin.org](http://www.westbasin.org) to learn more.*