10 things that will dramatically lower your water use

- 1. Stop watering your lawn. Brown is the new green. Rebates available to replace your lawn with beautiful climate appropriate landscaping.
- 2. Set up a water budget for your property.
- 3. Install water efficient sprinkler heads (most mow-and-blow gardeners can handle doing this). Switching to rotors or MP rotors can save 30% of water usage. (remember to increase the irrigation time as you could be going from 15 gpm to 1 gpm)
- 4. Fix leaks and problems in your irrigation system. Most homeowners water 3-4x the amount their plants really need.
- 5. Fix leaks in your home.
- 6. Install a Laundry-to-Landscape system. If you do 5 loads a week, you can save over 7000 gallons of water a year for your plants!
- 7. Install high efficiency shower heads.
- 8. Install pressure regulators on your irrigation valves.
- 9. Install a smart controller for your landscaping (Cal water has \$100 rebates).
- 10. Install dual flush, low water use toilets (rebates available) Going from a 3.5 gpf to a 1.28 gpf could save you over 5000 gallons a year, twice that if you are still using the old 8 gallon per flush monsters! According to the World Toilet Organization (WTO), the average person uses a toilet 2,500 times year, or six to eight times daily.