

Cash For Grass

Turf Replacement Rebate Program

SPECIAL NOTICE: For single-family residences, the City of Napa rebate described below may be supplemented by the new **State of California Turf Replacement Rebate** (<http://www.saveourwaterrebates.com/turf-replacement-rebates.html>). That is a temporary program funded by the Prop 1 Water Bond to help address California's historic drought. It has its own separate terms & conditions (<http://www.saveourwaterrebates.com/turf-replacement-rebates-tc.html>) and application process (<http://www.saveourwaterrebates.com/turf-replacement-rebates-hta.html>). Rebates will be awarded on a first-come first-served basis while funds last. For more information regarding the State rebate, visit **saveourwaterrebates.com** (<http://www.saveourwaterrebates.com/>) (<http://www.saveourwaterrebates.com/>), call 844-642-7410, or email turf@saveourwaterrebates.com (<mailto:turf@saveourwaterrebates.com>).

Supported by a Prop 84 Grant from the California Department of Water Resources, the City of Napa is offering water customers an incentive to replace their thirsty lawns with water-efficient landscaping. The program offers **\$1.00 per square foot** to replace eligible lawn areas with:

- Low-water-use, climate-appropriate plants, and/or
- Permeable hardscape

The program is open to all properties that are served by a City of Napa water account - residential, commercial, industrial, or institutional. The following **per site maximum** rebate amounts apply:

- **\$750** for Single-Family Residential (equivalent to 750 square feet of lawn removed)
- **\$2,500** for HOA/Multi-Family/Commercial/Institutional (equivalent to 2,500 square feet of lawn removed)

Customers may of course remove more turf area than is covered by the rebate program, but the per site maximum \$ still applies.

If you are an interested customer, be sure to fully review the Cash For Grass **Terms and Conditions** (<images/publicworks/Water/Conservation/Cash%20For%20Grass.pdf>).

Customers must consent to brief Pre- and Post-Inspection site visits.

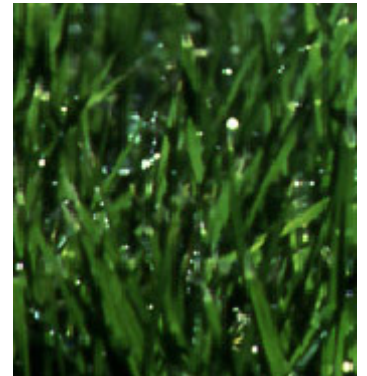
NOTE: Lawn areas to be converted must be historically irrigated.

Long-dead lawns or lawns already removed at the time of pre-inspection are not eligible.

NOTE: Artificial Turf installations are not eligible for the rebate as they do not meet the criteria for sustainable landscaping under new State grant funding agreements. Artificial Turf for homes may be eligible for financing under the HERO Program (<https://www.heroprogram.com/Napa>).

Steps To Participate

1. Call the Water Conservation Specialist at 707-257-9497 or email (<mailto:cashforgrass@cityofnapa.org>) to schedule a brief **Pre-Inspection** visit to have the lawn area measured.



2. Following Pre-Inspection, await receipt of your **Notice to Proceed letter** containing a pre-approved application (images/publicworks/Water/Conservation/Cash%20For%20Grass%20Application.pdf) from the City. *Do not remove lawn until you receive these documents in the mail.*
3. Remove the lawn area and **install your project** according to the program Terms and Conditions (images/publicworks/Water/Conservation/Cash%20For%20Grass.pdf).
4. Call the Water Conservation Specialist at 707-257-9497 or email (mailto:cashforgrass@cityofnapa.org) to schedule a **Post-Inspection** visit. *Post-Inspection must take place **within four (4) months** of the Notice to Proceed.*
5. Provide at Post-Inspection your **final completed Application**, a **list of plants and materials** used in the conversion, and **copies of receipts** for costs incurred. *Rebate checks will be processed within four (4) weeks.*

Some Water-Wise Plant Resources

Want to get rid of that high-water-use lawn, but aren't sure what to put in its place? The following resources can help:

- Consider hiring a local **Bay-Friendly Qualified Landscaper** (<http://rescapeca.org/directory/>) or **Qualified Water Efficient Landscaper (QWEL)** (<http://www.qwel.net/>).
- Garden Gallery in the Water-Wise Gardening in the Napa Valley (<http://www.napa.watersavingplants.com/>) web site
- 'Save Our Water'-labeled plants in the Sunset Western Garden Collection (<http://sunsetwesterngardencollection.com/>)
- Learn about the Sheet Mulch (<http://lawntogarden.org/>) process and Lose Your Lawn the Bay-Friendly Way (<http://rescapeca.org/resources/for-communities/sheetmulching/>)
- Sunset's Lose the Lawn: 24 Inspiring Yards (<http://www.sunset.com/garden/earth-friendly/lose-the-lawn-low-water-landscaping-00400000041830/>)
- The *Sunset Western Garden Book* (<http://www.oxmoorhouse.com/storefront/brands/sunset/the-new-western-garden-book/prod9780376039200.html>) and EBMUD's *Plants and Landscapes for Summer-Dry Climates* (<http://www.ebmud.com/water-and-drought/conservation-and-rebates/watersmart-gardener/plants-and-landscapes-summer-dry-climates/>)
- WUCOLS (<http://ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS/>): Plant species classified into very low, low, moderate, and high water use
- California Native Plant Society (<http://www.napavalleycnps.org/>)
- Free Water-Wise Landscaping Workshops (http://www.cityofnapa.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=434&Itemid=573)
- Free Home Composting Workshops (<http://compost.naparecycles.org>)
- Water-Wise Demonstration Gardens at Fire Station #3 (Trower & Solano) (http://napavalleyregister.com/news/local/article_4b8a4d76-6761-5238-aad0-736bfb297b3e.html) and Vintage High School
- Remember the 8 Basic Principles of Water-Wise Landscaping (http://www.cityofnapa.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=432&Itemid=571).

ALERT: To retain Cash For Grass rebate eligibility, DO NOT INSTALL HIGH-WATER-USE PLANTS in your converted landscape. Only very low (VL), low (L), or moderate (M) water-use species are acceptable. High-water-use plant species are those classified as high (H) in WUCOLS (<http://ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS/>) or those listed as needing "Regular Water" or "Ample Water" in the *Sunset Western Garden Book* (<http://www.oxmoorhouse.com/storefront/brands/sunset/the-new-western-garden-book/prod9780376039200.html>).



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