

# SWEETWATER SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT TOILET REBATE PROGRAM\*

(\*Supplements the Sonoma County Water Agency's Water Efficiency Rebate Program)

## SAVE WATER AND MONEY!

The Sweetwater Springs Water District is offering up to \$150 per toilet rebate for replacing your existing non-conserving toilet with a new high efficiency toilet (HET). Rebates are available for applications received before December 31, 2010, or until funding runs out, whichever comes first.

Increased water use efficiency can result in lower water bills, and may also extend the life of your septic system.

## WHAT IS AN HET TOILET?

An HET toilet uses an average of 1.28 gallons per flush (gpf) – over 60% less than pre-1992 models – without sacrificing performance.

HETs are available in different flush types: single-flush gravity fed (like a conventional toilet), single-flush pressure assist, and dual-flush in both gravity fed and pressure assist.

**Single-flush gravity fed toilets** use 1.28 gpf or less. The power of gravity does the work just like the original, only with less water.

**Dual-flush toilets** save water by providing two different flush volumes. For solids, a full flush of 1.6 gallons or less and a reduced flush of 0.9 gallons or less. The full and reduced flushes average out to 1.28 gpf or less. Dual-flush toilets can be gravity fed or pressure assisted.

**Pressure-assist toilets** have a sealed vessel inside the tank that compresses a pocket of air inside as the water fills. When the toilet is flushed, the pressurized air forces the water rapidly into the bowl, creating a powerful, fast flush that has a "whoosh" sound. The flush can be slightly louder than the standard toilets.

## WHO CAN GET THIS REBATE?

- District customers or homeowners who are not connected to the Russian River County Sanitation District's sewer system (If you are, you can apply for a toilet rebate through the Sonoma County Water Agency); and
- Your home was built before 1992 and your toilet(s) uses more than 1.6 gpf; and
- Your new toilet is purchased after March 4, 2010 and is on the List of Qualifying Models (available at our office or on our website, [www.sweetwatersprings.com](http://www.sweetwatersprings.com))

## HOW TO PARTICIPATE

1. Purchase and install your new ultra-low flush toilet(s) after March 4, 2010. Keep track of your original receipt to submit with the application.
2. Send the completed application and original receipt for the new toilet(s) to Sweetwater Springs Water District, P.O. Box 48, Guerneville, CA 95446.
3. Applications must be received or postmarked by December 31, 2010 and within 90 days of purchase or delivery. Incomplete or ineligible applications will be returned.
4. If eligible, your water bill will be credited for up to \$150/toilet (rebates cannot exceed the purchase price of the toilet).

## QUESTIONS?

Contact our office at (707) 869-4000 or visit our website at [www.sweetwatersprings.com](http://www.sweetwatersprings.com).

## APPLICATION FORM

Number of toilets to be rebated: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name (Owner or occupant)

Water Account Number (from water bill)

Site Address (where toilets were replaced) Zip Code

Billing Address (to mail rebate) Zip Code

Phone Number

### AUTHORIZATION FROM OWNER:

Signature of Property Owner Date

**An original receipt must be attached to your application. Mail completed application to the Sweetwater Springs Water District, P.O. Box 48, Guerneville, CA 95446.**

### THIS SECTION FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date received: \_\_\_\_\_

Rebate amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Verified by \_\_\_\_\_ Date