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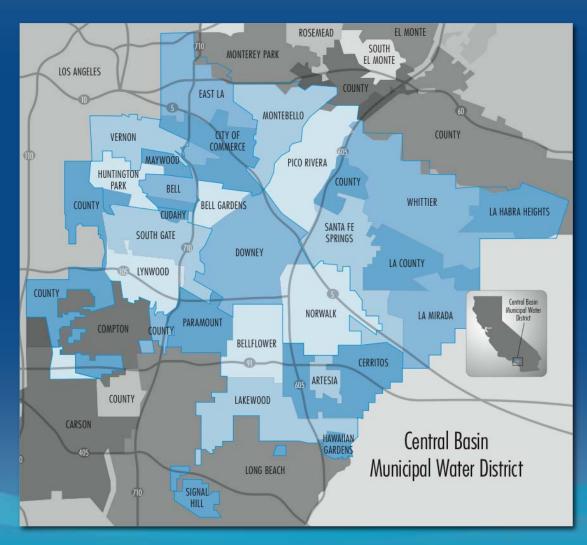
Shut Your Tap! Water Conservation Campaign

Using Social Marketing in Conservation Planning



#### **The Central Basin Service Area**

- 24 Cities
- 2 Million People
- 78% Spanish-Speaking





#### **California's Drought**









## Shut Your Tap! Campaign Goals



- Promote water conservation as <u>a way of life</u>
- Effectively reach diverse, multilingual audiences
- Unify 24 cities under a single collaborative program
- Combine traditional outreach strategies with social media to reach a broader audience



#### Timeline

- Phase 1: Fall 2008
  - Develop program website & collateral
  - Contact Cities & Retailers
  - Identify program partners
- Phase 2: Spring 2009
  - Official Campaign Launch
  - Schedule Monthly Roundtables
  - Conservation Ordinance Task Force
  - Introduce Social Marketing





## Campaign Website www.shutyourtap.org www.cierresullave.org

#### Key Elements:

- Drought Updates
- Get Involved
- Events/Workshops
- Free Resources







### **Collateral Portfolio**



California is in a Water Shortage GydSgalfa

#### CONSERVE WATER TODAY!

Date

#### Dear Neighbor,

We've notice excessive use of water as indicated below:

- Your sprinklers are watering the pavement, Please adjust sprinklers heads to prevent overspray & rundt.
- Your sprinklers are on during days not allowed. Allowed outdoor water days are: Santay Westwaday Toesday Westwaday Thursday Friday Seturday
- Your sprinklers are on during daytime hours. Please water only before and after to reduce water less from exageration and wind.
- Broken sprinkler Irrigation system leak. Please make regains right away.

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#### JOIN THE MOVEMENT CONSERVE WATER!

- Use a broom instead of a hose
- Limit landscape watering days
- Avoid water runoff



#### Order Form:

- Door Hangers
- Bill Inserts
- Fact Sheets
- Public Service Announcements
- Newspaper Ad's

#### California is in a Water Shortage

#### WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

#### DID YOU KNOW?

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- · California is experiencing its fourth straight year of below average rainfall
- · Colorado River is experiencing its eighth year of drought conditions
- · We are using our reserves to supply everyday water



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## **Regional Campaign**





Norwalk Aug 5, 2008



Pico Rivera Sep 23, 2008



Paramount Dec 2, 2008



South Gate Aug 26, 2008

Artesia

Dec 8, 2008

Sep 8, 2008



Bell

Santa Fe Springs Maywood Oct 9, 2008



Signal Hill Dec 9, 2008





La Mirada Oct 14, 2008



Cerritos Dec 11, 2008







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Lynwood

Jan 6, 2009

La Habra Heights May 14, 2009







Huntington Park Nov 17, 2008





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Vernon Dec 1, 2008



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Lakewood

Jan 27, 2009



#### Water Awareness Month: May 2009

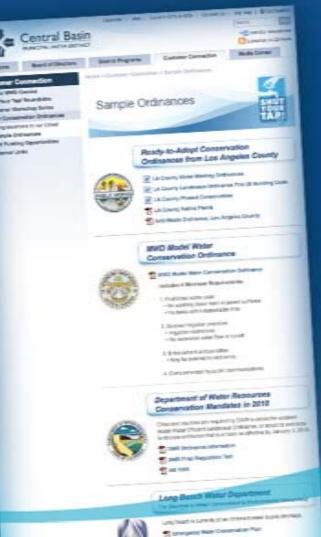
- LA County Board of Supervisor's declared
   "Shut Your Tap! Day"
- TV Cable Announcements
  Email Blasts
  Water Cooler Blog





### Water Ordinance Task Force

- Developed April 2009
- Objectives
  - Provide assistance to cities
  - Unify cities and retailers
- Tool Kit
  - Ready-to-Adopt and Sample
     Ordinances
    - Staff Report Template
  - AB 1881: Mandated Landscape Ordinance 2010

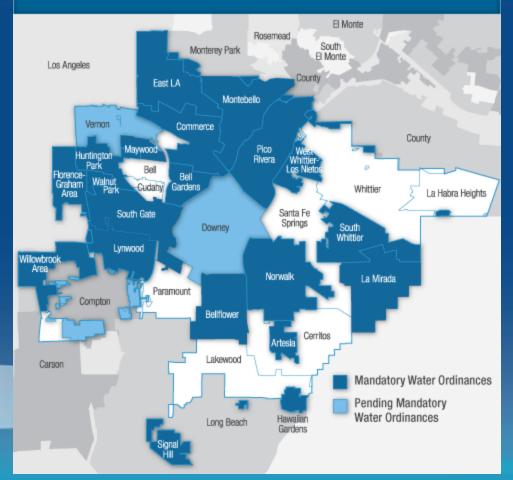






### **Online Ordinance Map**

#### What Shade of Blue are You?







### **Congratulations to Our Cities!**

- Mandatory Water Conservation Ordinance Adoption
- Email blasts to stakeholders

Link to Service Area Map

"Join the Movement!"



#### Congratulations to the City of La Mirada

for adopting a mandatory water conservation ordinance.

Central Basin Municipal Water District is working together with 24 cities to increase water conservation efforts.

Click here: yours shutyourlap org/congretulations for more information on the "Shut Your Tap!" Campaign. 12 cities have adopted a mandatory water-use reservation ordinance.

4 others pending mandatory water-use restriction ordinence.



#### **Social Media: Find Your Focus**

- Twitter
- Blog
- Facebook\*
- Three Most Popular Sites
- Constant Daily Activity
- Achieve Higher Rankings with Search Engines







### Water Cooler Blog

- Launched January 2008
- Water News: shape the message through articles
- Agency Updates: establish "personality"
- Terms of Use Important
- Consider <u>Staff Time!</u>



#### 1 Comment





### Twitter

- Launched July 2009
- Requires Less Staff Time
- Ideal Customer Service Tool
- Followers Increase Daily:
  - Elected Officials
  - Cities & Government Agencies
  - Water Retailers
  - WaterSmart Innovations 09
  - and more!





Central Basin Now on Twitter! <u>Click here to follow us</u>





## **Building a Following**

- Promotional items (i.e. magnets and lapel pins)
- Use existing channels (i.e. email signatures, business cards)
- Host "How-To" Workshops
- Participate on existing blogs
- Host contests to build "buzz" and increase participation
- Remember to cross-promote your social media!







# Thank you for Shutting Your Tap!

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