

How to save water in your landscape and house: (Booth 6) (/initiative/4Wbm/how-to-save-water-in-your-landscape-and-house-booth-6)

By using RAINWATER and GREYWATER in our landscapes and homes, we can save 30-40% of residential potable water.

Submitted by Bobby Markowitz

Comments

Colin Young 3w, 5d ago

CON

Implementing a grey/rain water collection systems without financial aid is too complicated for any measurable effect on reliving the overall water demand.

Candace Brown 1m ago

QUESTION

I admit I've been looking at this option for myself...however, when I think of senior citizens and the many rental households..and over 30,000+ separate hook-ups served by the City of Santa Cruz Water Department, that's alot of \$change\$ (\$150,000,000+). This idea would be great to include as a tax credit solution by the State of California. Comment?

bobby markowitz 1m ago

yes, financial incentives are needed

Josh Fodor 1m ago

NEUTRAL

The HERO Program (www.heroprogram.com/ (http://www.heroprogram.com/)) which provides financing options for energy efficiency retrofits has been suggested as a model to provide similar options for water efficiency retrofits. Sherry Brian at Ecology Actions knows about the status of expanding this program.

zNano 1m ago

PRO

In our proposal, WET&R, we build the case for financial incentives for projects such as this.

Jean Brocklebank 2w, 6d ago

PRO

I think it is a mistake to automatically discount this idea by saying it does not relieve overal water demand. It most certainly does! In fact, individual actions are some of the best ways to "produce" water for use.

Jan Karwin 2w ago

This proposal is worthy of further research and evaluation by the panel of experts.

Christine Y Kirven 1w, 5d ago

NEUTRAL

Having a large tank, 4800 gallons, I can say it is a great boon to gardening, I never use city water in the garden. We have lots of trees, apples, lime, lemon, apricot, plums, avocado, almond (! grows almonds on Seabright!!) and too 4 oak trees...It

did not make \$en\$e compared to city water, at \$2000 but it really is one of the best things I've ever done. We had many meals of beans from seed planted in September this year! It was that hot...Who would have known?

Jude Todd 2d, 15h ago

PRO

I think this is an important proposal for WSAC to consider.