

Cut Costs. Save Water. Boost Curb Appeal.

It's Time to Rethink Your Landscape

Does your HOA, business property, or community space still have turf that no one uses? Areas such as narrow grass strips along sidewalks or medians in parking lots are considered non-functional turf. They are expensive to maintain, use valuable water, and offer little to no benefit.

What is Non-Functional Turf?

Functional turf is grass that serves a real purpose—like sports fields, parks, school grounds, cemeteries, golf courses, or dog parks.

Non-functional turf (NFT) is decorative grass that isn't used for recreation or events. It's there for looks.

Changes are Coming

To help California become more drought-resilient, Assembly Bill 1572 (AB 1572) bans the use of potable water to irrigate non-functional turf (NFT) on commercial, industrial, and institutional properties, including HOAs, beginning January 1, 2029.

The goals of AB 1572 include:

- Reducing water waste
- Encouraging sustainable landscaping
- Strengthening local groundwater supplies
- Preparing for intensifying or increasing dry weather patterns

AB 1572 requires that water agencies adopt their own NFT ordinance and enforce the law, including issuing fines for non-compliance.

Now is the Time to Make the Change

Your business or community will:

1. **Save Water.** Turf grass is one of the most water-hungry parts of any landscape.
2. **Lower Costs.** Cut down on irrigation and maintenance expenses.
3. **Be Compliant.** It's best to be prepared before enforcement begins.
4. **Show You Care.** A water-efficient landscape demonstrates sustainability and community leadership.

We Can Help You Get Started

We'll connect you with your local water district. All six of our Coachella Valley water agencies currently provide rebate options and can offer other tools, expert advice, and information on eligibility requirements – all to help you make the switch to water-efficient landscaping.

Help conserve our most precious resource.

For more information, visit [CVWaterCounts.com/rebates](https://cvwatercounts.com/rebates) or email us at outreach@cvwatercounts.com.

Every Drop Counts.

