

MWELO Checklist

Reporting for the following agencies:
Rancho Cucamonga

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Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance Implementation Annual Reporting 2024	
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Has your agency adopted a single agency ordinance OR a regional agency alliance ordinance?	Single Agency Ordinance
Reporting Period:	1/1/2024-12/31/2024
Has your agency adopted the state Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO) or a local Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (WELO)?	Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO)
For agencies who have adopted a locally modified WELO:	
How is it different from MWELO?	N/A
Is it at least as efficient as MWELO?	N/A
Are there any exemptions specified in the local WELO? Briefly list, citing sections.	N/A
Identify the entity within your agency that is responsible for implementing the ordinance. (e.g. Planning, Building, Public Works, Parks, City Arborist, etc.)	Planning
If another agency (e.g. Water Supplier, Community Services District) is implementing the ordinance, identify it and explain its role, list the cities and county areas that are supported by the water supplier (or other agency) in this capacity.	No Other Agency
State the number and types of completed projects subject to the ordinance during the specified reporting period (when the project was final/permit was closed out) (*e.g., single family residences, commercial projects, landscape retrofits):	553
Total landscape area subject to the ordinance over the reporting period (please enter unit of measure below):	966,871(Est)
Unit of Measure (sq. ft. or acres)	sq. ft.
During the reporting period, how many of the following types of projects were subject to the Ordinance?	
Number of new housing starts:	538
Number of new commercial projects:	13
Number of landscape retrofits:	2
Briefly describe review procedures.	Plan check and inspection
Describe actions to verify compliance.	Inspection
Is a plan check performed?	yes
If so, by whom? (eg. Planning, Building, Parks, City Arborist, Public Works, etc.)	Planning and Building
Are site inspections performed?	yes
If so, by whom? (eg. Planning, Building, Parks, City Arborist, Public Works, etc.)	Planning and Building
Are post-installation irrigation audits performed?	no
If so, by whom? (eg. Building, Parks, City Arborist, Public Works, contracted auditor, water supplier, etc.)	N/A
Briefly describe enforcement measures:	Compliance Based Enforcement
Explain challenges to implementing and enforcing the ordinance.	Little experience and knowledge with reviewing landscape plans. Many commercial and residential properties are completing retrofits without permits.
Describe educational, guidance and other needs to properly apply the ordinance.	In house training on MWELO, public education and handouts.

The provision of the following information is not required by Section 495 and is optional. However, the information, if provided, will help DWR better provide technical assistance to local agencies.	
What is the URL (web address) of the landscape ordinance page on your agency website?	https://ecode360.com/43294002#4329
Has your agency also adopted Title 24 Part 11 CalGreen Building codes?	yes ▼
Have elements from other regulations been incorporated (e.g., tree shading percent coverage requirement, stormwater capture requirements) into the local WELO? Briefly describe.	N/A
Are other agencies (e.g. water suppliers) able to assist with any part of implementation? If so, briefly explain.	Some discussions have happened.
Describe implementation measures:	To Be Determined
Are there any conflicts between MWELO and other municipal codes? If yes, briefly explain.	No
Are you aware that cities and counties are required to adopt an ordinance or other enforcement mechanism that requires compliance with certain provisions of the MWELO (14 CCR Section 18989.2) and must also report annually to CalRecycle on the number of projects subject to the MWELO? (For more information see https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/faq/collections#Calgreen)	No. There is no indication on how or why we also need to report to CalRecycle.
Additional Comments:	

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