



Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance Implementation Annual Reporting 2025

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Has your agency adopted a single agency ordinance OR a regional agency alliance ordinance?	Single Agency Ordinance
Reporting Period:	1/1/2025-12/31/2025
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.)	Development Services Department and Facilities Community Services Department.
If another agency (e.g. Water supplier) 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 is implementing the ordinance.
State the numbers of permitted projects subject to the ordinance during the reporting period (when the project was final/permit was closed out) (*e.g., single family residences, commercial projects, landscape retrofits for which permits were issued during the reporting period, etc.):	During the reporting period, the City issued permits for the following projects: 1 single-family project, 2 commercial projects, and 1 landscape retrofit.

Total landscape area subject to the ordinance over the reporting period (please enter unit of measure below):	132,470
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 projects:	1
Number of new commercial projects:	2
Number of landscape retrofits:	1
Briefly describe review procedures.	The City of Redlands adopted the MWELO into our Municipal Code, and requires the submittal of a Landscape Plan Check for all projects subject to WELO. Upon receipt of a Landscape Plan Check application, Development Services Department and Facilities Community Services Department staff will verify all landscape and irrigation plan submittal requirements are met and ensure the water budget calculations meet the requirements of the WELO. Staff will comment on the submitted landscape and irrigation plans accordingly, and approve the plans when all requirements have been met.
Describe actions to verify compliance.	Staff will verify all required materials have been submitted for landscape plan check, ensure the water budget calculations are submitted with the water efficient landscape worksheet, and verifies the water efficient landscape requirements are met.
Is a plan check performed?	Yes
If so, by whom? (e.g. Planning, Building, Parks, City Arborist, Public Works, etc.)	Building & Safety Division, Land Use Engineering Division, Planning Division and Facilities and Community Services.
Are site inspections performed?	Yes
If so, by whom? (e.g. Planning, Building, Parks, City Arborist, Public Works, etc.)	Building & Safety Division, Land Use Engineering Division, Planning Division and Facilities and Community Services.
Are post-installation irrigation audits performed?	Yes
If so, by whom? (e.g. Building, Parks, City Arborist, Public Works, contracted auditor, water supplier, etc.)	Land Use Engineering Division performs post-installation audits for Community Facility District landscape projects.
Briefly describe enforcement measures:	City staff verifies all the information required to be submitted for the Landscape Plan Check pursuant to the City's WELO have been submitted, ensures the water budget calculations are submitted with the water efficient landscape worksheet, and verifies the water efficient landscape requirements are met.
Explain challenges to implementing and enforcing the ordinance.	The internal tracking system has been improved to enable an efficient data gathering process for the State-mandated annual reporting.

Describe educational, guidance and other needs to properly apply the ordinance.	Planning and Building staff inform and guide project applicants through the entitlement and/or plan check process to ensure compliance with the water efficient landscape requirements.
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://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/redlandsca/latest/redlands_ca/0-0-0-13666
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.	No
Are other agencies (e.g. water suppliers) able to assist with any part of implementation? If so, briefly explain.	No
Describe implementation measures:	City staff verify the water budget calculations are submitted with the water efficient landscape worksheet, and ensure the water efficient landscape requirements are met.
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 Cal Recycle on the number of projects subject to the MWELO? (For more information see: https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/faq/collections#Calgreen)	Yes
Additional Comments:	None
	Send completed survey to WELO@water.ca.gov
	Questions? 916-651-9676