

# Conserve Water This Summer to *Beat the Peak!*

Tigard and Lake Oswego are partnering to share drinking water from the Clackamas River starting in 2016. The Clackamas River is one of Oregon's highest quality drinking water sources. To help preserve the river for wildlife and people, the two communities are joining forces to make water conservation a way of life.

The joint "Beat the Peak" campaign is sponsored this year by the Lake Oswego Tigard Water Partnership. Water conservation is a top priority for the Partnership. Customers in Lake Oswego and the Tigard Water Service Area are asked to help 'Beat the Peak' by keeping daily water demand under 12 million gallons.

For Lake Oswego, 12 million gallons of water per day (mgd) is a level at which the system can reliably provide water, even with a pump out of service.

Summer water demand in Lake Oswego can quadruple the average winter consumption of 4 mgd. Outdoor watering pushes Lake Oswego's treatment plant up

to its 16 mgd capacity. During hot summer days, the City's key water facilities, including the aging water intake and treatment plant, operate 24 hours per day at maximum capacity.



Beginning in July, find out each day's water demand at the Lake Oswego Tigard Water Partnership website, [lotigardwater.org](http://lotigardwater.org), and check out our Beat the Peak water meter, posted on the lawn at the West End Building on Kruse Way.

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## *Top Three Ways to Beat the Peak*

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### **1-Inch Per Week:**

One-inch of water is all lawns need to stay green and healthy. Pick up your free lawn water gauge from Lake Oswego City Hall and start saving today.

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### **Water Wisely:**

Trees and shrubs have deep roots and need less water than lawns. Adjusting your watering for each area saves water and money.

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### **Consider reducing your lawn area:**

Reducing the size of your lawn reaps large water savings rewards.

**For more information about the Lake Oswego Tigard Water Partnership, please visit [lotigardwater.org](http://lotigardwater.org)**