

Conservation in the Bathroom

Sink faucets

- Install a faucet restrictor or an aerator to reduce the volume of water coming out of the faucet. Aerators have the added benefit of oxygenating your tap water so it will have a better taste, too.
- Repair drippy or leaking faucets immediately. Even the smallest leaks add up quickly! The hardware store can usually help you find the correct replacement gaskets and o-rings needed to do the repair yourself.
- Use hot tap water wisely. A large amount of cool water must flow through the pipes between your hot water heater and faucet before you get hot water into the sink. Many times, using cool tap water is sufficient unless you have a particularly dirty job. If you require hot water, catch the cool water in a basin and save it to water plants or flush your toilets.

Bathing

- Take a quick shower instead of a bath.
- Shower/bathe one time less per week if you can.
- A large amount of cool water must flow through the pipes between your hot water heater and faucet before you get hot water into the sink. Catch the cool water in a basin and save it to water plants.

Toilets

- Place dye tablets or several drops of food coloring in the toilet tank, wait 15 minutes, and if you see any color in the toilet bowl then you have a leak from the tank.
- Shake talcum powder into the tank and if you see any movement toward the overflow pipe then you need to adjust your tank water level to prevent overflow leaking.
- Flush your toilets with saved water from the shower.

Conservation Kit

- North Gualala Water Company is happy to offer free Water Conservation Kits to every customer. Inside you will find faucet and shower restrictors, toilet tank displacement bags, and toilet leak detector dye tablets.

