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## ***MONTE VISTA WATER DISTRICT ASKS CUSTOMERS TO REDUCE WATER USE DURING TEMPORARY REGIONWIDE PIPELINE SHUTDOWN***

**MONTCLAIR, CA . . . .** Monte Vista Water District is asking customers to reduce their water use for six days beginning Monday, April 23 as a major imported water pipeline is taken out of service for repairs.

Officials from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California are joining with local wholesale and retail agencies in making the water-saving request as Metropolitan prepares to suspend deliveries through its Rialto Pipeline. The shutdown will allow the state Department of Water Resources to make repairs to a state portion of the pipeline. The outage is scheduled to last until April 28.

Supplies for the affected communities, which include eastern Los Angeles and western San Bernardino counties, will be limited during the shutdown. Since many of the affected communities depend on imported water supplies, the loss of those supplies during the shutdown means MVWD will have to rely exclusively on local water sources.

“Although the District has sufficient water supplies to meet demand, we are asking customers to join us in limiting their water use during this temporary repair period,” said President of the Board of Directors, Sandra Rose.

Metropolitan’s 30-mile Rialto Pipeline extends from the state’s Devil Canyon Power Plant to Metropolitan’s San Dimas Power Plant, delivering up to 450,000 gallons of imported water a minute to Southland communities. A small portion of the pipeline is owned and maintained by the state, while the majority is owned and maintained by Metropolitan.

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In addition to significantly reducing outdoor watering during the repair, customers are asked to refrain from: filling swimming pools, hosing down driveways and sidewalks and hand-washing vehicles. Other water-saving measures include running only full loads in washing machines and dishwashers, keeping showers to less than 5 minutes, limiting toilet flushing, and not leaving the water running while doing dishes, brushing your teeth or shaving. For more information or additional water-saving tips, visit the district website at [www.mvwd.org](http://www.mvwd.org).