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# **State Water Board Adopts New Conservation Regulation Approach**

*Revisions Will Allow Long Beach to Set its Own Conservation Standard*

LONG BEACH, CA – The State Water Resources Control Board yesterday approved modifications to the existing emergency water conservation regulation to reflect improved reservoir conditions and allow for local agencies to set their own conservation standard. The new regulation will begin June 1, 2016 through January 2017. Long Beach’s current conservation target is 9 percent.

“We commend the State Water Resources Control Board on taking this very necessary step to continue the conservation regulations,” said Frank Martinez, President of the Board of Water Commissioners. “As Governor Brown notes, the drought still persists and we need to make conservation a permanent way of life.”

“I encourage all of our residents and businesses to stay diligent in conservation,” said Mayor Robert Garcia. “Water use efficiency is the Long Beach way of life.”

The Long Beach Board of Water Commissioners urges residents and businesses to keep up the savings both indoors and outdoors. Residents can visit [www.lbwater.org/mission](http://www.lbwater.org/mission) for more tips on how to conserve.

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