

# Take the Blue Thumb Pledge



**It's easy to earn your Blue Thumb!** You don't have to rip out your entire lawn and replace it with low-water use plants. There are lots of every-day things you can do to use water efficiently outdoors. Review the list below and pledge to complete five actions by checking the boxes (you'll feel good about yourself and your pocketbook).

## I pledge to:

	TASK	SAVINGS*
1	Reduce each irrigation cycle by 2 minutes (five stations, watering three times weekly)	Save 80 gallons per day
2	Plant low-water use trees and plants	Save 30 gallons per day, per 1,000 square feet
3	Water your yard early in the morning or later at night	Save 25 gallons each time you water
4	Add 2-3 inches of mulch around trees and plants to reduce evaporation	Save 20 gallons each time you water per 1,000 square feet
5	Quickly repair leaks and broken sprinkler heads	Save 20 gallons per day per leak
6	Install a water-efficient drip irrigation system for your trees, shrubs and flowers	Save 15 gallons each time you water
7	Use a broom instead of a hose to clean driveways, sidewalks and patios	Save 8 gallons per minute
8	Use an automatic shut-off nozzle on your hose	Save 8 gallons per minute
9	Adjust sprinklers to prevent overspray and runoff (this also prevents washing fertilizers and pesticides into the storm drain, which leads directly to our creeks, streams and rivers)	Save 12 gallons each time you water

*\*Savings are approximate and dependent upon specific landscape and watering conditions.*



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**SELECT YOUR PRIZE:** *(while supplies last)* River Cats Ticket Vouchers *(limit 2)* or Blue Thumb Garden Gloves

**NAME:**

**E-MAIL:**

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

**WATER PROVIDER:**

**SIGNATURE:**

**DATE:**

**Would you like to receive water efficiency tips via e-mail every few months?** *(circle one)* Yes or No Thanks

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