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## Good afternoon,

New resources are now available to support regional water planning group development of conservation water use reduction strategies, water loss mitigation strategies, GPCD goals, and the conservation subchapter of the 2026 Regional Water Plans. The following resources can be found on the <u>Conservation Resources for 2026 Regional Water Plan Development webpage</u>:

- Conservation Resource Guide for Development of the 2026 Regional Water Plans –
   This guide outlines a variety of conservation resources that are available to support planning
   groups and details how to access resources and how they can be used to support regional
   water plan development.
- 2. TWDB Conservation Information Dashboard for Water Supply Planning A new interactive dashboard that visualizes data from the water use survey, water conservation plans, water conservation annual reports, and the 2021 RWPs. Allows users to explore historical GPCD statistics by utility size and region, GPCD trends and targets by public water system and WUG, recently implemented conservation BMPs, and recommended conservation projects from the 2021 RWPs. Note that dashboard data can be downloaded in spreadsheet format via the links provided below the dashboard.
- 3. Water Loss Audit Data (2015–2022) Spreadsheets of recent utility-reported water loss audit data. Planning groups are required to include a description of water loss audit information for the region in Chapter 1 of the regional water plan and consider strategies to address any issues identified in water loss audit information.
- 4. Spreadsheet of 2026 RWP Baseline GPCDs and WUG Adjusted GPCD An optional resource for planning groups to consider when setting GPCD goals. The spreadsheet was developed based on recommendations from the Water Conservation Advisory Council. Note that in May 2024 the spreadsheet will be updated to include 2022 planning GPCDs from the Water Use Survey to highlight the most recently reported planning GPCD for water user groups.
- 5. SARA Report ID 102 WUG Adjusted Planning GPCD with Water Efficiency and Conservation Savings – An optional resource for planning groups to consider when setting GPCD goals. This report calculates adjusted water user group planning GPCDs after water efficiency and recommended conservation strategy savings. RWPG consultants may access the report through the TWDB Secure Agency Reporting Application.
- 6. **Plumbing Code Savings** Spreadsheet of the plumbing code savings incorporated into Board-Adopted municipal demand projections.
- 7. Links to additional conservation related resources.

In addition, many utilities will be submitting copies of updated water conservation plans to their

regional water planning group by May 1, 2024. Planning groups should consider these water conservation plans in development of the 2026 Regional Water Plans. Copies of water conservation plans submitted to the planning group should be on file with the planning group sponsor.

Please contact your TWDB Regional Water Planner with any questions.

This email has been sent to all RWPG members, RWPG sponsors, and technical consultants.

Best,

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