WATER CONSERVATION

DISCOVER AND CONNECT! (STEP 1)
Become aware of things that you and your family are doing that can provide opportunities for water conservation. Observe yourself and family members over one or two days to see which of the Step 1 things you now do.

TAKE ACTION! (STEP 2)
Choose things you can change and then take action! Depending on your Girl Scout level, select one or more of the Step 2 water conservation activities for you or a family member to do.

Here are the number of Step 2 actions you should take for your Girl Scout level:

- **Girl Scout Daisies** – complete 1 action
- **Girl Scout Brownies** – complete 2 actions
- **Girl Scout Juniors** – complete 3 actions
- **Girl Scout Cadettes** – complete 3 actions
- **Girl Scout Seniors** – complete 4 actions and change a faucet aerator or shower head or check your water bill
- **Girl Scout Ambassadors** – complete 4 actions and change a faucet aerator or shower head or check your water bill
WATER CONSERVATION – STEP 1

Conserving water is important because we live in a desert. Step 1 is to become aware of things that you and your family are doing that can provide opportunities for water conservation. Observe yourself and family members over one or two days to see which of the following things you do. Step 2 is to choose things you can change.

Do you or a family member do any of the following?

1. Let water run while brushing teeth.
2. Let water run when washing hands, but hands aren’t under water.
3. Take showers longer than 5 minutes.
4. Rinse dishes before putting in dishwasher.
5. Use toilet as a trash can and flush trash.
6. Run dishwasher when it is not full.
7. Use clothes washer when not full without putting on small or medium.
8. Leave irrigation settings the same all year for outdoor plants and lawn.
9. Use hose to clean debris off sidewalks and driveway.
10. Let faucets drip.
11. Let toilets run or silently leak.
12. Let outdoor irrigation water where there are no plants or grass.
13. Let water run in the shower for a long time while waiting for hot water.
14. Wash vegetables or fruit using excessive amount of water.
15. Other things you have observed: ____________________________________________

[ ] [ ] ME
[ ] [ ] FAMILY
WATER CONSERVATION – STEP 2

Depending on your Girl Scout level, select one or more of the following water conservation activities for you or a family member to do. If you pick from the First Set, do the activity for 7 days and check the days when you do the activity. You don’t have to do 7 days in a row. If you pick from the Second Set, do the activity once.

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GIRL SCOUT NAME

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GIRL SCOUT LEVEL

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FIRST SET

1. Don’t let water run when brushing teeth.
   - □ DAY 1 □ DAY 2 □ DAY 3 □ DAY 4 □ DAY 5 □ DAY 6 □ DAY 7

2. Don’t let water run when washing hands and hands aren’t under water.
   - □ DAY 1 □ DAY 2 □ DAY 3 □ DAY 4 □ DAY 5 □ DAY 6 □ DAY 7

3. Take shorter showers – 5 minutes or less.
   - □ DAY 1 □ DAY 2 □ DAY 3 □ DAY 4 □ DAY 5 □ DAY 6 □ DAY 7

4. Don’t use the toilet to throw away trash.
   - □ DAY 1 □ DAY 2 □ DAY 3 □ DAY 4 □ DAY 5 □ DAY 6 □ DAY 7

5. Scrape food off plates before loading in dishwasher rather than rinsing off.
   - □ DAY 1 □ DAY 2 □ DAY 3 □ DAY 4 □ DAY 5 □ DAY 6 □ DAY 7

6. Run the dishwasher only when full.
   - □ DAY 1 □ DAY 2 □ DAY 3 □ DAY 4 □ DAY 5 □ DAY 6 □ DAY 7

7. Run the clothes washer only when full, or if not full, select small or medium setting.
   - □ DAY 1 □ DAY 2 □ DAY 3 □ DAY 4 □ DAY 5 □ DAY 6 □ DAY 7

8. Collect water wasted in shower while water is warming and use to water plants.
   - □ DAY 1 □ DAY 2 □ DAY 3 □ DAY 4 □ DAY 5 □ DAY 6 □ DAY 7

9. When washing vegetables or fruit, reuse water in a bowl or use water for outdoor plants.
   - □ DAY 1 □ DAY 2 □ DAY 3 □ DAY 4 □ DAY 5 □ DAY 6 □ DAY 7

SECOND SET

10. Change irrigation settings so that lawns and/or plants are watered appropriately for the season. □

11. Sweep debris from sidewalk instead of using hose. □

12. Check faucets and toilet for leaks and repair if needed. □

13. Fix outdoor irrigation so that only lawn and/or plants receive water. □