



Soquel Creek Water District (**SqCWD**) offers a rebate to customers that redirect rainwater runoff from their gutter downspouts to landscape features such as rain gardens, swales, dry wells, etc. Redirecting downspouts and runoff to permeable areas on-site can provide water for your plants, help encourage infiltration and groundwater recharge, prevent stormwater runoff and pollution, and help protect your foundation. The concept behind this rebate is to **“Slow it, spread it, sink it!”**

To qualify for the rebate, the downspouts must be diverted directly to the landscape feature so that there is no off-site runoff. Drainage systems that convey water off-site (e.g., French drains, etc.) do not qualify for the rebate. Additionally, the feature receiving the runoff must be designed to drain within 48 hours to reduce the risk of standing water and mosquito breeding. Please see our website at www.soquelcreekwater.org for more information on redirecting rain gutter downspouts or call (831) 475-8500 for assistance.

This rebate requires a pre-approval inspection and a post-installation inspection by SqCWD personnel. Please read all the Rebate Program Requirements on the backside of this Application. All rebate applications require the signature of the property owner (if different than the applicant).

Indicate the number of downspouts that have been redirected and the purchase price of system parts and materials (excluding sales tax and labor). Complete the Account & Applicant Information below.

| | Rebate Amount | Number of Downspouts Redirected | Purchase Price of Parts & Materials |
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| Rainwater Downspout Redirect to Landscape Rebate | Up to \$40 per downspout (\$80 maximum) | | |

Account & Applicant Information

Type of Account: Single-Family Multifamily Commercial Institutional Other

Property address (where downspouts are redirected) City Zip Code

Applicant name Name on water account (if different from applicant)

Account Number Assessor’s Parcel Number (APN)

Applicant mailing address (if different from property address) City State Zip Code

Daytime phone number Alternative phone number e-mail address (optional)

Complete both sides of application.

See other side for rebate program rules, requirements and signature.

Rainwater Downspout Redirect Rebate Application: Rules & Requirements

1. Rebate application must be submitted within 90 days of item(s) purchase. An original, dated sales receipt showing itemized cost for the rebated item must be provided. If you need the original receipt(s) returned, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your rebate application. For online purchases, a print out of the final invoice and an original packing or delivery slip is required.
2. All rebate applications must be signed by the legal property owner.
3. This rebate requires a pre-approval inspection by Soquel Creek Water District (**SqCWD**) staff. SqCWD will provide the applicant with a pre-approval form that must be signed by the applicant and provided to the SqCWD representative at the time the pre-approval inspection is completed. **Do not redirect downspout runoff until after the pre-approval inspection.**
4. The downspout(s) must connect directly to the landscape feature (e.g., rain garden, swale, dry well, etc.) so that there is no off-site runoff. Drainage systems that convey water off-site (e.g., French drains, etc.) do not qualify for the rebate.
5. The landscape feature receiving the runoff must be designed to drain within 48 hours to reduce the risk of standing water and mosquito breeding.
6. A representative of Soquel Creek Water District (**SqCWD**) must be permitted to inspect the property to verify installation and proper construction prior to rebate approval.
7. The maximum rebate is for two (2) redirected downspouts per property.
8. No rebate will exceed the purchase price of the item(s) or material(s). Sales tax and labor charges are not rebated.
9. The rebated equipment must be installed at an existing SqCWD service address and must be installed prior to rebate request. New development is not eligible for rebates.
10. Rebates are applied as a credit that will appear on a subsequent water bill (see exceptions below). The account must be in good standing to receive a credit. Upon closing an account, any rebate credit balance will be mailed to the account holder. Allow four weeks from the date of rebate approval for credit processing.
11. You will be issued a check in lieu of a credit if: (1) your SqCWD water service is in the name of your Home Owner's Association or Condominium Board and you are the legal property owner of your dwelling unit; or (2) you are the legal property owner (but not the account holder) and you purchased the rebated item(s) for your rental property.
12. Installation of any rebated device, appliance or fixture is the sole responsibility of the applicant, as is determination of the adequacy and compatibility of the existing plumbing system.
13. The applicant is solely responsible for the proper disposal of all materials associated with the installation of rebated fixtures and equipment and the SqCWD assumes no responsibility or liability. Please recycle materials.
14. SqCWD does not endorse specific brands, products or dealers; nor does it guarantee materials or workmanship; acceptance of such is customer's responsibility.
15. SqCWD assumes no responsibility or liability for any damage that may occur to an applicant's property as a result of participation in this program. Due to circumstances beyond its control, SqCWD cannot guarantee that installation of rebated fixtures or measures will result in lower utility costs.
16. The IRS requires all rebate program participants receiving \$600 or more per calendar year in rebates to be issued an IRS Form 1099 unless exemptions apply. If you have received rebates from SqCWD totaling \$600 or more in the current calendar year, you must submit a completed IRS W-9 form (see our website for a copy of this form) with your rebate application to receive a rebate. The Social Security or Tax ID number requested in the rebate application process is in compliance with exemptions to the Federal Privacy Act of 1974, 42 UCS 405(c)(2)(c). Social Security numbers provided as part of the application process are held in confidence under terms of the Privacy Act and are not divulged or otherwise conveyed to individuals or organizations outside the SqCWD Rebate Program.
17. SqCWD may at any time, modify, suspend, or terminate this program without prior written notice.
18. Incomplete or illegible applications will be denied.

I have read, understand, and agree to the Rebate Program Rules & Requirements as stated above.

Applicant Signature _____ **Date** _____

Property Owner's Signature _____ **Date** _____
(if different than applicant)

After completing BOTH sides of this application, mail application and original receipt(s) to:

Soquel Creek Water District P.O. Box 1550 Capitola, CA 95010 Please note: If you have received more than \$600 in rebates during the current calendar year, also include a completed IRS W-9 form.

District Use Only: Application approved Total rebate Amount granted \$ _____ Application denied

Staff Reviewer _____ Date: _____

Reason for Denial: _____

Inspection by: _____ Waived Date: _____