

Required Findings for Variance

An application for a variance will be denied unless the approving authority finds, based on the information provided in the application, supporting documents, or such additional information as may be requested, and on water use information for the property as shown by the records of the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, all of the following:

- (1) That the variance does not constitute a grant of special privilege inconsistent with the limitations upon other City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power customers.
- (2) That because of special circumstances applicable to the property or its use, the strict application of the Emergency Water Conservation Ordinance would have a disproportionate impact on the property or use that exceeds the impacts to customers generally.
- (3) That the authorizing of such variance will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent properties, and will not materially affect the ability of the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power to effectuate the purpose of the Emergency Water Conservation Ordinance and will not be detrimental to the public interest.
- (4) That the condition or situation of the subject property or the intended use of the property for which the variance is sought is not common, recurrent, or general in nature.

No relief will be granted to any customer for any reason in the absence of a showing by the customer that the customer has achieved the maximum practical reduction in water consumption in the customer's residential, commercial, industrial, institutional, agricultural or governmental water consumption.

Variance applications will be processed within 30 days of receipt, unless processing time is dependent on receipt of data and/or recommendations from outside the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. Customers will be notified of the determination by e-mail unless otherwise requested.