City of Palo Alto
Regional Water Quality Control Plant
Recycled Water Truck Fill Station
What is Recycled Water?

Recycled water is wastewater that has received extensive treatment and is safe for many non-drinking uses such as landscape irrigation.
Recycled Water is **NOT** Suitable For

- Drinking
- Cooking or use in the kitchen
- Bathing or showering
- Filling swimming pools or spas
- Children’s water toys
- Connecting it into the household domestic plumbing system
- Discharging to the street gutter or storm drain because of the chlorine residual
When Using Recycled Water

• Do not play in or drink recycled water
• Prevent spraying of recycled water onto drinking water fixtures or food handling areas
• If you must dispose of recycled water, discharge it to a landscape area or to the sanitary sewer via an onsite cleanout
  – Do not discharge to a storm drain due to the chlorine residual
• Use hand-watering application methods (hoses, buckets, sprinkling cans, etc.)
Health & Safety Guidelines

• Practice good sanitation habits
  – Wash hands with drinking water after using recycled water, especially before eating or smoking
• You may use recycled water for irrigating vegetables and fruit bearing plants
  – Wash vegetables/fruits with drinking water prior to cooking or consuming
• All equipment (hoses, containers, etc.) that comes into contact with recycled water shall be dedicated for use **ONLY** with recycled water
Reminders

• Submit monthly water logs by the 5th of the month to RecycledWater@CityofPaloAlto.org

• Email RecycledWater@CityofPaloAlto.org with any needed permit amendments including:
  – New locations/end users (need to submit Form A or B)
  – New drivers
  – New trucks
Emergency Contact

Report any spills or emergency situations regarding Recycled Water to the RWQCP at:

650-329-2598
Contact Information

RecycledWater@CityofPaloAlto.org

www.CityofPaloAlto.org/RecycledWater