

# City of Watsonville Water Conservation Certification

All residential, commercial and industrial buildings within the incorporated City of Watsonville area *and* unincorporated area that is served by the City of Watsonville's public water service which administers a water conservation program, are required to be retrofitted with high efficiency plumbing fixtures when a property is sold. This form is to certify that all plumbing fixtures at the property meet the high efficiency standards.

Important: The seller must file this completed form with the City of Watsonville Water Conservation Program before the property is sold.

Please refer to the back of this form for instructions and information. For assistance, call Customer Service at (831) 768-3133.

| 1. Property Location     |      |                        |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|------|------------------------|--|--|--|
| Street Address           | City | Zip code               |  |  |  |
| Assessor's Parcel Number |      | Water Provider or Well |  |  |  |
|                          |      |                        |  |  |  |

# 2. Plumbing Fixtures

|  | Toilets | Showerheads | Urinals | Interior<br>Faucets |
|--|---------|-------------|---------|---------------------|
| Total number of fixtures at this property        |         |             |         |                     |
| Number of fixtures retrofitted                   |         |             |         |                     |
| Number of fixtures exempt (e.g., 1.6 gal toilet) |         |             |         |                     |

| Number | of full baths | Number of | half baths |  |
|--------|---------------|-----------|------------|--|
|        |               |           |            |  |

| Summary of the City of Watsonvi  | lle Plumbing | Fixture Retr | ofit Compliance |
|--|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Name (please print) Signature  |              | Date         | Telephone       |
| ☐ I am the real estate agent for the   | owner        |              |                 |
| ☐ I am the property owner  |              |              |                 |
| Verifier's Business Name   |              |              | License Number  |
| Verifier's Name (please print)   | signature    | Date         | Telephone       |
| ☐ Inspection by licensed plumber of ☐ Inspection by a licensed home in                 | _            | ractor       |                 |
| <ul><li>4. Retrofit Verification</li><li>☐ Inspection by real estate agent o</li></ul> |              |              |                 |
| 4.5.4.50.40  |              |              |                 |
| □Other   |              |              |                 |
| ☐ Already retrofitted with low flow f  | ixtures      |              |                 |
| ☐ Historic registry  |              |              |                 |
| 3. Exemptions  |              |              |                 |

Summary of the City of Watsonville Plumbing Fixture Retrofit Compliance Process with California's State Mandated SB 407 in regards to water conservation:

Effective January 2017, all residential commercial and industrial buildings in the incorporated City of Watsonville *and* unincorporated area that is served by the City of Watsonville's public water service are required to be retrofitted completely, if not already conforming, with high efficiency plumbing fixtures at the time of sale of the property. Under the law, the seller of the property is responsible of the following:

- 1. Replacing any toilets, showerheads and urinals that don't meet the high efficiency standards.
- 2. Obtaining a Water Conservation Certificate from the City of Watsonville Water Conservation Program.
- 3. Disclosing retrofit requirements to the buyer of the property, before the property changes ownership.

\*Copies of the written disclosure form and the Water Conservation Certificate are to be included with documents transferring title to the property.

## **High efficiency Plumbing Standards**

- Toilets 1.28 gallons per flush or less
- Showerheads 2.0 gallons per minute or less
- Urinals .5 gallon per flush or less
- Interior faucets: 1.5 gallons per minute or less (kitchen) and 0.5 gallons per minute or less (bathroom)

## **Option to Have Buyer Retrofit**

An option in the ordinance allows the seller to transfer the retrofit responsibility to the buyer. Both parties must agree that the buyer assumes the responsibility. The buyer has ninety (90) calendar days from the date of the sale to complete the retrofit. The seller and buyer must fill out the Transfer of Responsibility to Retrofit Form and file with the City of Watsonville Water Conservation Program.

#### Instructions to Seller

**Step 1** – Complete parts 1, 2 and 3 of this form and;

e-mail to: sb407@cityofwatsonville.org

**Step 3** - Keep a copy of this form for your records. Give one copy to the buyer and one to your real estate agent to be included with documents transferring title to the property.

## **Buyers signing the Transfer of Responsibility Form Agree to:**

Make sure all the fixtures on the property meet the high efficiency plumbing standards listed above. This will involve replacing any older fixtures that don't comply. Note: the buyer is not responsible for retrofitting if the sale of the property is not completed.

#### **Failure to Retrofit**

If it is determined that the retrofit was never completed by the buyer as agreed to in this form, a notice of violation will be recorded against the property by the City of Watsonville in accordance with procedures contained in the above stated process in compliance with California state mandated SB 407.