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# Inland Empire Real Estate Community Focuses on Water Restrictions

BB&K Partner Steven Anderson Discusses Water and Development at Forum, as Reported by the Inland Valley Daily Bulletin

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New state water restrictions by the State Water Resources Control Board to help speed along a historic conservation effort in light of the drought were shared with members of the local real estate community at a forum here.

Among the ideas presented by panelists were a push toward more drought-tolerant landscaping and an emphasis on higher density and water-efficient development. Much of California's water use — 60 percent to 70 percent — goes to watering lawns and other turf, officials said.

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Water agencies around the state are now required to conserve a significant amount of water, said event panelist Steven Anderson, a partner with the Riverside-based law firm Best Best & Krieger. Among the prohibitions: outdoor water runoff into the street; using hoses without nozzles; a ban on street median irrigation; and non-recirculated fountains.

“So they've got to march forward now and start implementing programs in order to save that amount of water,” Anderson said of regional water agencies. “This (discussion) is part of the education of the community about what folks in the development community and the commercial brokerage community can do and expect with respect to saving water for the commercial developments they're involved in and what they can do to help.”

To read the full article, which was published in the May 17, 2015 edition of the Inland Valley Daily Bulletin, [click here](#).

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