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From Library Journal

An engineer and water resources consultant, Vickers has written a comprehensive, nontechnical handbook on water use and efficiency measures for homeowners, businesses, farmers, and industries. The first chapter outlines ten key planning steps to a successful conservation program, such as goals, incentives, benefits and costs, and evaluation. The chapter on efficiency measures for residential and domestic water use is packed with charts and tables detailing how changing to high-efficiency clothes washers, water-efficient dishwashers, and low-volume toilets, showerheads, and faucets saves both water and money. Efficiency measures for landscape water use include native and low-water-use plants, irrigation scheduling, and the use of mulches. The section on industrial, commercial, and institutional water measures covers laundromats, swimming pools, cooling and heating systems, and zoos, while efficiency measures for agriculture include drip irrigation, tailwater reuse, surge valves, and canal management. Among the useful appendixes are a list of web addresses of conservation organizations, a table for calculating water-cost savings based on volume of use, sample worksheets for water audits for a residence, an irrigational setting, and an industrial/commercial/institutional setting. The attractive layout includes numerous charts, photographs, and sidebars containing useful data, and a glossary of terms and a detailed index complete the work. This is a clear, concise, and well-written work for all audience levels on a topic that will be of interest to academic, public, and special libraries. It may be a bit pricey, but it will be the definitive work on this topic. Eva Lautemann, Georgia Perimeter Coll., Clarkston
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This new professional text is the most thorough reference ever published on water use and conservation. It contains hundreds of water-efficiency technologies and practices for all of your customer groups-residential, landscape, industrial, commercial, institutional, and agricultural. Whether you need conservation measures to tackle a short-term drought or a long-term supply problem, this book will guide you... Everything you need to know... A gold mine of resources. --American Water Works Association, Jul01

From the Publisher

The author has packed the Handbook with hundreds of fact-filled tables, charts, photographs, and case studies that explain everything you need to know about water use and conservation technologies and practices that can be applied in homes, landscapes, businesses, industries, institutions, and farms. Learn the state-of-the-art in how to save water, money, and energy and also comply with related federal water efficiency standards, plumbing codes, and conservation ordinances and policies.

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