

Connections

Our monthly newsletter for residential customers



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Powering forward. Together.

Join the charge for a Clean PowerCitySM

We're committed to eliminating 100% of greenhouse gas emissions from our power supply by 2030. As the most ambitious goal of any large utility in the United States, we're leading the way so that every community we serve can live where the air is cleaner and healthier for generations to come. You can join the charge and show your support at [CleanPowerCity.org](https://www.cleanpowercity.org). •

Electricity Fair

Join us in person or virtually online.

Sept. 11, 2021 | 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Folsom Powerhouse State Historic Park

Learn more at [smud.org/ElectricityFair](https://www.smud.org/ElectricityFair)



Family fun
Tour the
Folsom
Powerhouse
Science
activities
And more!

FREE
Admission



Tips to beat the heat

We've seen record-breaking heat already this summer and odds are, we're not done yet. Visit [smud.org/Heatwave](https://www.smud.org/Heatwave) to find resources like public cooling centers, information on community water parks and ways to reduce your electricity use while still staying cool and safe. Here are some tips:

- Reducing your air conditioning use is the most effective way to save energy. In many homes, you can raise the temperature 3-4 degrees and still stay comfortable by closing window blinds and drapes and using fans.
- If you're home on a weekday before 5 p.m., precool your home. Turn on the air conditioning in the morning, then turn it off before the peak hours of 5-8 p.m. to enjoy the cool air you have stored up.
- Avoid heating up your kitchen by preparing cold meals or putting your grill to work. Or, use your oven or stove earlier in the day or later in the evening, when temperatures are cooler.
- You can't unplug some big electricity users, like your fridge. But, you can save energy by unplugging your DVR and game consoles. Advanced power strips can also help save energy on devices not in use. Shop now and get instant rebates at [SMUDEnergyStore.com](https://www.smudenergystore.com). •

Easy ways to save water when we need it most



As the drought emergency continues in California and temperatures rise, it's more important than ever to conserve our most precious resource—water.

At SMUD Energy Store, we sell fixtures that not only help you save water, but also save energy by helping you use less hot water—which means lower bills.

From easy-to-use tech like smart sprinkler controllers and shower heads, to the simplest

low-cost gadgets, these water fixtures do the work for you, saving gallons of water without sacrificing comfort or convenience.

Start shopping* today at [SMUDEnergyStore.com](https://www.smudenergystore.com). •

** Instant rebates are available on SMUD Energy Store for qualified City of Sacramento Water District customers. Instant rebates must be applied by the customer at checkout and are subject to terms and conditions. Not applicable to prior purchases. Offer valid while supplies and funding last.*

Go green, go paperless

Now is the perfect time to start clearing your home of clutter, while reducing your carbon footprint. When you switch to paperless billing for your SMUD bill, you'll get an email notification when your bill is ready and a link to easily view and pay it online or with the SMUD app. It's fast, easy and convenient. Visit [smud.org/Paperless](https://www.smud.org/Paperless) to get started today.* •

**Click "Sign up in My Account" to enroll in paperless billing. If you're not already signed up for My Account, you can enroll while you're there.*



Save a tree

In 1 year,
1 tree can
generate 260
lbs. of oxygen.

SMUD Board of Directors

Your elected Board of Directors holds regular meetings once a month on the third Thursday at 5:30 p.m. Meetings are streamed live and archived on [smud.org](https://www.smud.org). Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Board meetings are currently held online. Visit [smud.org/Board](https://www.smud.org/Board) for the latest information.

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