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## RESNET's Whole House Water Efficiency Rating

### What is HERSH2O?

HERSH2O builds off of RESNET's nationally recognized Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Index to produce a whole house water efficiency rating for single-family and duplex homes by rating their indoor and outdoor water usage, including:

- ✓ Bathroom and kitchen
- ✓ Clothes and dishwasher
- ✓ Pools and irrigation

The score is calculated by comparing the rated home to a reference home, which is typical of construction practices in 2006.

\*Compared to a 2.8% annual price escalation rate for electricity

Applicable to both new and existing homes

Lower scores mean less water consumption

Average annual price escalation rate for water\* is 4.1%

### Why HERSH2O?

Rapidly increasing water prices across the U.S. will drive consumer demand for more water efficient homes

Builders can use RESNET certified HERS Raters as a one-stop-shop for rating a home's energy and water efficiency

HERSH2O is a great option for water utilities to promote efficiency programs and offer incentives for specific levels of efficiency

A simple, easy-to-understand system for prospective homebuyers, Realtors, appraisers and utilities to compare the water efficiency performance of a home



### A Whole House Energy and Water Efficiency Rating