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“Gallons saved”
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LOS COLORES DEL CARACOL

LOS RESIDENTES DE LA PENÍNSULA CARACOL, A.C.

No water, no life. No blue, no green.....

Saving water on the Caracol. Here are a few of thoughts that can save some water, and decrease the sewer load on the hill. One way to save water on the hill is to install low flow or dual flush toilet. Typically newer style toilets need about 1.6 gal/flush, but low flow toilets use either 1.3 or 0.8 gal/flush. I'll bet there are many toilets in houses on the hill that still use 5-8 gal/flush. Here is another water waster we are all probably guilty of some times. Letting the water run while we do something else over the sink. Shut the water off when you are brushing your teeth, shaving, rinsing dishes, or cleaning vegetables. One final thing is to cut the amount of water we use for watering plants. If you have a gardener, ask them to cut the water usage by 1/4. Your plants probably won't notice, and you will make a big difference in the water usage on the Caracol.

Elimination of toilet paper can make a significant impact on sewer systems and the amount of water needed to clear the pipes. Americans use a whopping 36.5 billion rolls at a cost of \$9.6 billion. Each roll uses 37 gal of water to make. That's a lot of money for a lot of dead trees. Consider using a bidet to keep your nether regions clean as they are far more ecologically efficient and only use a pint of water. Bidets may take some getting used to, but many people like them so much that they decide to make a permanent switch. Bidets that replace the toilet seat are readily available from \$40 to \$500. The installation is simple and only takes a few minutes



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