Laundry to Landscape Requirements as listed on the SCVWD Graywater Laundry to Landscape Application and included in the CA Plumbing Code:

All graywater must be gravity–fed and distributed from the washing machine to a pre-approved landscape area that is large enough to absorb the graywater.

• Graywater must be contained on the site where it is generated.

• Graywater must not runoff into streets and waterways.

• Graywater must be distributed to the subsurface or released to an area covered by a minimum of two inches of soil, bark, rock, mulch, or appropriate permeable cover.

• No surface ponding of graywater is allowed.

• The irrigation system may have one or more valved zones. Each zone must be of adequate size to receive the graywater anticipated in that zone.

• The system shall be designed to prevent clogging of any emitters.

• No overhead (spray) irrigation shall be connected to the graywater system.

• The system shall be designed and installed to prevent contact with humans and pets.

• Graywater shall not be used to irrigate root crops or edible parts of food crops that touch the soil.

• The system must allow the user to direct the flow of graywater to the irrigation system or the sanitary sewer septic system. The diversion valve must be clearly labeled and easily accessible.

• Water used to wash diapers or similarly soiled garments will not be used for irrigation; it will be diverted to the sanitary sewer or septic system.

• Wastewater derived from activities such as cleaning car parts, washing greasy or oily rags, disposal of waste solutions from photo labs or other activities that contain hazardous chemicals shall not enter the graywater system.

• The landscape area where the graywater is used must be located:

1) 18 inches from the property line;

2) 2 feet from buildings;

3) 100 feet from wells, waterways, or other water sources;

4) 5 feet from any septic tank.

• The site where graywater is used must be located in an area where seasonal high groundwater is at least five feet below ground surface. This will be verified by the District using available information

• The graywater system shall not include a potable water connection or a pump. (Note: The pump in a clothes washer is not considered part of the graywater system).

• The finished system must include an operating and maintenance manual. The manual is to remain with the building throughout the life of the system and indicate that upon change of ownership or occupancy, the new owner or occupant shall be notified that the structure contains a graywater system.