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When there's heavy rain, rest the drain.



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Average Water Usage







2 gallons/ flush

Kitchen and Laundry Tips

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