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California is experiencing its **worst drought** on record. As temperatures climb, more homebuyers are factoring water savings in their offers.

Here are just a few ways to **future-proof** your property value against drought:

1. Check your home’s pipes, faucets and toilets for **leaks**.  
   A toilet leak can waste more than 100 gallons per day.
2. Install water-saving **showerheads**.   
   These reduce flow to 3 gallons per minute compared to the usual 5-10 gallons.
3. Use your appliances for full loads only, and upgrade to **Energy Star** appliances.  
   Energy Star dishwashers use less than 4 gallons of water per load.
4. Water your **lawn** only when necessary.  
   If your grass springs back up after stepping on it, it’s not thirsty yet!
5. Landscape with **drought-resistant** trees and plants.  
   California’s beautiful native plants are natural water-savers, and mulch slows evaporation.

Water-smart upgrades are just one way to protect your investment. Contact me to discuss more future-proofing strategies for your home’s resale value.

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