

# RECYCLING GREY WATER



**GAYLE MCMURRAY WATERS HER GARDEN AUTOMATICALLY WITH HER NEWLY-INSTALLED GREYWATER RECYCLING SYSTEM**

Gayle and Peter McMurray thought they were careful to minimise water use, yet the graph accompanying their water bills consistently showed them at the upper end of the scale for water use. As a two-person household on a traditional quarter-acre block of land, they began looking for ways to reduce their consumption.

A friend recommended Waterwise Systems in Abbotsford and the McMurrays soon had a greywater recycling system installed in their home. Water from their laundry and bathroom is now collected in a tank and used to water fruit trees and three garden beds in their backyard.

Waterwise expects the system, which cost \$4000 to install, will save them 2000 litres of water per week, or more than 100,000 litres a year.

The system is on three circuits, so the McMurrays can control where the recycled water goes, using three valve taps.

They have plans to extend the watering system to irrigate their front garden as well. They have modified the laundry detergent they use. Waterwise recommended a liquid called GreenCare, which is available local supermarkets.