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Q. Might there be a reason why my toilet keeps running?

A. It is important to have your toilet fixed if you suspect it has been running for a long amount of time. A running toilet can be wasting as much as 200 gallons of water a day and can be caused by a number of reasons such as a worn out flapper valve.

Q. How might I go about checking the efficiency of my toilet?

A. Checking the efficiency of your toilet is a matter of checking the year it was made. The most efficient toilets are manufactured after 1994 and use approximately 1.6 gallons of water per flush. Older models use around 3.5 gallons.

Q. My water has turned yellow. Why is this?

A. Stained water is often a result of rusted pipes. Overtime, pipes can become rusty and build up of rust can happen within the pipes affecting your water.

Q. What is the source of my hot water and how can I prevent it from running out?

A. Water in your household is heated by the water heater and can be maximized by draining it once a year. This allows the sediment within to filter out. An aging water heater can also affect the amount of hot water available to you.

Q. What is the cause of a weak water pressure?

A. If your water pressure is weak, it's probably caused by a constraint within your pipes. A common constraint in pipes is rust build up that prevents the water from flowing freely throughout the pipes.

Q: Why does my dishwasher not drain all the water after use? Is there something wrong with it?

A: Some water left behind in a dishwasher after use is common and is purposely left there to prevent the heating elements from overheating. There is something wrong with it, however, if all the water is being left behind. This might be caused by a faulty motor or some other problem and needs to be repaired.

If you are looking to install new equipment, Calabasas Plumbing can do that too!