Listen to a recording about people living in a dry region. While listening, answer the questions using a maximum of FOUR words. Write your answers into the boxes on the right.

![Running Out Of Water](https://www.npr.org/player/embed/397097050/397097051)

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<td>What do the people who live in the dry region have to deal with?</td>
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<td>Which people, in particular, are afraid of losing their water supply?</td>
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<td>What has the shop lost because of the water shortage?</td>
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<td>How much more does tap water cost now?</td>
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<td>For which reason do local politicians refuse to help the people of Cantua Creek financially?</td>
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<td>Who would help financially if absolutely necessary?</td>
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<td>How much money could be provided?</td>
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<td>Inside their houses, how do the residents save water?</td>
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KEY
(recommended answers – other answers may of course be possible)

1. increasing water bills
   higher price of water
   more payment for water
   higher water bills
2. low-income residents
   low-income citizens / households / inhabitants / persons / people
   low-incomers
   people with low income
   not rich people
   poor people
   people with little income
   people who are poor
3. customers
   a lot of customers
   buyers
   consumers
   consumers disappeared
   has lost (their) customers
   local customers
   lots of customers
   workers and customers
4. three times as much
   3 times (more)
   it tripled
   price tripled
   triple the price
   triple the amount
5. no legal obligation
   county has no obligation
   don't have legal obligations
   not obligated
   they have no obligation
6. (the State of) California
   Californian government
   emergency funds from California
7. $120,000
   120 000 dollars
8. low-flow shower heads
   (with) limited flushing
   limit water under shower
   limited flushing of toilets
   low usage shower heads
   low water shower heads
   take low flow showers