

# WATERING OUR LAWNS ACCOUNTS FOR HALF OR MORE OF ALL THE WATER WE USE AT HOME.

And according to the experts, most lawns get twice as much water as they really need. Over-watering is a habit that wastes hundreds of thousands of gallons of water each year. That's a waste we simply can't afford. So let's all make an effort to give our lawns as much water as they need - and no more.

## TIPS FOR SMART LANDSCAPE WATERING

### HERE'S HOW:

#### WATER BY THE DROP USING DRIP IRRIGATION

for flowerbeds, ground cover, vegetable gardens and container plants. A drip system saves water by allowing you to target water at or near plant root zones.



#### REPLACE THAT THIRSTY TURF

Replacing little-used areas of your lawn with other types of landscaping and water-stingy plants will lower your outdoor watering needs.



#### ADD MULCH TO THE MIX

A three-to-four inch layer of mulch helps retain moisture and limit weed growth.



#### GROW NATIVE

Native and adapted plants thrive on less water.



#### TURN YOUR SYSTEM OFF AFTER A GOOD RAIN

Why duplicate what Mother Nature just provided for free?



#### INSTALL A "SMART" CONTROLLER

It's an irrigation clock that automatically adjusts run times in response to weather conditions.

#### CHECK YOUR IRRIGATION SYSTEM REGULARLY.

Fix leaks or damaged sprinkler heads.

#### DON'T BE A SCALPER.

Taller grass holds moisture better and slows down evaporation.

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#### COOL TRICK:

Use your water meter to check for leaks.

#### HERE'S HOW:

Turn off all fixtures and note the meter reading. Keep the water off for a couple of hours, then check to see if the meter reading has changed. If it has, you have a leak.