

CADDO BASIN SUD

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NEED A LINE LOCATE?



Before beginning any digging or construction projects, it's essential to locate any utility lines. This helps to avoid accidental damage or service disruptions. Contact Caddo Basin directly to ensure that work is completed in a safe and timely fashion. Protect projects and communities by always checking before digging!

MYTH VS FACT: SPRINKLERS

Irrigation Myth #1: It Doesn't Matter When You Water

A lot of people assume that it doesn't matter when they're watering their lawn, as long as they're watering it. However, watering at the "wrong time" can potentially harm the grass and make it more prone to fungal growth. Ideally, the lawn should be watered early in the morning, before the sun rises. When lawns are watered during the heat of the day, most of the water will be lost to evaporation. Additionally, how long to water is important. Lawns usually require a minimum of one to two inches of water per week during peak season. Exactly how long the system needs to run will depend upon what irrigation system is used. To test timing, place an empty tuna can in the yard, then run a sprinkler session. Take note of how long it takes the can to fill up, and once it's full, that will indicate how long the sprinklers need to run to reach one inch of watering.

Irrigation Myth #2: Once a Sprinkler System is Set, Let it Go

One of the main reasons why people love irrigation systems is a "set it and forget it" mentality. While this is somewhat true, it doesn't mean that the irrigation system shouldn't be checked on. Given the fact that some of the signs of an irrigation repair can be subtle, it's worth it to check that the system is working at its best. Irrigation checks also help to spot problems early, before they can become costly. People tend to forget that lawns and landscapes are living (and changing) things. As trees and shrubs grow, their watering needs can change. It's important that irrigations system are keeping up with ever-changing landscapes.

(Information taken from Grassperson, a local lawn and irrigation company).
<https://www.grassperson.com/blog/irrigation-myths-vs-facts-about-sprinkler-systems>

DID YOU KNOW?

The average total home water use for each person in the U.S. is about 50 gallons a day.

<https://www3.epa.gov/safewater/kids/waterfactsoflife.html>

SPRING NEWSLETTER



REMEMBER: SIGN UP FOR E-BILLS AND RECEIVE YOUR STATEMENT UP TO A WEEK EARLY!

LEAK FINDING TIPS*

Faucets & Hot Water Heaters: Replace worn out faucets and check around hot water heaters monthly for signs of water leaking. Make sure outside spigots are shut off when not in use.

Easy Toilet Check: Take the lid off the back of the toilet. Add enough food coloring to color the water. Let it sit for 15 minutes and if any of the color goes into the toilet bowl, the flapper needs replacing. Toilet leaks can be expensive and quite often a running toilet will create no noise and go unnoticed. Also, make sure that the handle isn't sticking when flushing.

Listen to your Appliances: If flowing water can be heard, but no appliances are turned on, there may be a leak somewhere in the plumbing.

Sprinkler Systems: Check for broken sprinkler heads and make sure no zone is greener or wetter than others.



*www.port-orange.org