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How do I contact TMWA's **Conservation Department?**

conservation@tmwa.com or (775) 834-8005



TMWA's Water-Efficient Landscape Guide www.tmwalandscapeguide.com



Truckee Meadows Community Forestry Coalition www.communityforestry.org

WEATHER-WISE WATERING

Whether it's raining in June or dry in December, Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) always values responsible water use. That's why we encourage Weather-Wise Watering.



What is Weather-Wise Watering?

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Weather-Wise Watering means watering according to the day's weather conditions, watering only what your yard needs while avoiding waste. Although we can't help the weather, we can help you learn how to water your yard responsibly. Water is a limited resource, which is why TMWA always encourages residents to use water responsibly.

Tours and workshops - The water lovers at TMWA are here to help our customers Water Weather-Wisely. From irrigation start-up to winterization, our Conservation Department has workshops and tours to help you understand the Weather-Wise Watering needs of your landscape throughout the seasons. All workshops are FREE. View a full schedule of events at www.tmwa.com.

The Hug High Garden is a demonstration of how successful a bioregional garden, including a vegetable patch, can be in our high-desert climate. To see the seven xeriscape principles at work, visit www.tmwa.com for a calendar of tours and workshops at the garden.

Why have assigned days?

Assigned-Day watering is designed to help you use water efficiently by designating days for outdoor watering. Outdoor watering increases water use of the average residential customer by four to 10 times during the summer. The Assigned-Day watering schedule can help you manage your water bill. Conservation and Assigned-Day watering have become a way of life here in the Truckee Meadows, in order to preserve our precious resource.



Water Weather-Wisely on your assigned days.

Assigned-Day watering only applies to your sprinklers. Run your sprinklers when it's cool and not windy, usually early in the morning. Be sure to turn them off when it's raining. If the last number of your home or business address is:

- Even (0, 2, 4, 6 or 8), run the sprinklers on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
- Odd (1, 3, 5, 7 or 9), run the sprinklers on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays.
- Shut your sprinklers off between noon and 6 p.m. from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

• Also, give your sprinklers a rest on Mondays, as it is TMWA's day to replenish and maintain our water system.

Drip systems and hand watering of trees, shrubs, flower beds and vegetable gardens are permitted any day of the week. Please use an automatic shut-off nozzle when using a hose.

Truckee Meadows Community Forestry Coalition - The majority of trees in the Truckee Meadows are in homeowners' yards and the Truckee Meadows Community Forestry Coalition provides you with resources to properly care for your trees, using the weather as your guide. Water your trees Weather-Wisely and use Weather-Wise tree care tips to protect and preserve our community forest. Proper tree care begins with proper drip irrigation and Weather-Wise Watering to build a deep, strong root system. For a wealth of Weather-Wise tree care tips and a comprehensive list of trees for our high-desert climate, visit www.communityforestry.org.

Conservation Specialists & Water Usage Review Program - TMWA's Conservation Specialists are also available to visit your home or business to help you identify water waste and guide you back to Watering Weather-Wisely. Please call customer service at (775) 834-8080, option 2.

About TMWA:

Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) is a not-forprofit water utility, overseen by elected officials from Reno, Sparks and Washoe County. TMWA employs a highly skilled team who ensure the treatment, delivery and availability of high-quality drinking water around the clock for more than 385,000 residents of the Truckee Meadows.

About this series:

Water Topics in Our Community is a series of papers designed to provide the citizens of the Truckee Meadows information about key water topics in this region.

To access all of the papers, go to **www.tmwa.com/topics**.

About TMWA's

Board of Directors: The TMWA Board welcomes you to attend and comment at any board meeting. Meeting schedules are posted at www.tmwa.com/meetings.

To send a question to the Board, visit us online at www.tmwa.com/comment.

Questions or feedback?

We'd like to hear from you. Please call our Community Communications line with any remaining questions you have on this topic or other water topics. The number is (775) 834-8290.



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How do I report water waste?

We are serious about preventing water waste! You are the eyes of our community, so we need your help. If you see water being wasted, please let us know by **reporting it online** at **www.tmwa.com/waste** or call us at **(775) 834-8005**.

For more information about Weather-Wise Watering, or any of our conservation tools, contact us at conservation@tmwa.com, www.tmwa.com/conservation or call us at (775) 834-8005.