

Western Gardens Landscaping, Inc.

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*"Imagination is more important than knowledge"—Albert Einstein*

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## LANDSCAPING TIPS— SUMMER TIME BY JOHN LOWERY

We are now in the heart of the best time of year for warm weather, camping, play time, and fires. With record breaking heat and the longer days, watering and increasing water frequency and times is going to be ideal to maintaining a lush green lawn and sustainable landscape. Of course, it is also important to conserve water this time of year. Remember that plants, trees, and ground cover practically always need less water than grass. Below is some pointers to keep in mind for the Summer Months.

Water during cool hours

of the day. Evenings and early mornings are best. Also try to avoid watering on windy Days. Set your sprinklers to run anywhere from 4–5 Minutes, 7–10 times per week. (Approximately 40 minutes per week). These times are good for both cool and warm season grasses.

Try watering for shorter cycles and more intervals—if possible. This will help to avoid water runoff.

Watch for yellow leaves on shrubs. This is a sign of over watering. More plants suffer from over watering than from becoming too dry.



Summer is a great time of year to have your friends over for a barbecue or to hang out by the pool. I highly recommend some new mulch, new plants, and make sure to always use a good weed killer. You may also find an increase in rodent activity this time of year, so always keep your eyes out for those wonderful creatures.

Most importantly, if you hopefully take a long vacation this summer, make sure you have a good landscape company like Western Gardens looking after your property.

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## COMMUNICATION VITAL TO A GREAT RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR SERVICE PROVIDER

BY JOHN LOWERY

It's been said that it is not so much what you promise you can do for your customer, but making sure you actually do what you say you are going to do. In the world we live in today every industry is full of competition.

And where there is grass you will always see somebody servicing the landscape. As a premiere landscape company we understand that in order to keep our customers happy we have to always make sure

we never over promise and always over deliver. It's also vitally important that we schedule regular walk-thru's and always be available by phone, fax, or e-mail. Remember our goal is your happiness.

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## About US



*Hilton Del Mar, Del Mar, CA*

Located in Beautiful Carlsbad, CA, Western Gardens offers some of the finest landscaping services available today. The objective is simple: specialize in landscape maintenance for Apartment Communities, Homeowner's Associations, and Commercial Properties located throughout San Diego County.

Our Staff knows the needs of curb appeal for flower beds, entries, office and models of your communities.

Our supervisor is on your property daily, meeting with the manager. Our personalized service is appreciated by all of our clients.

Our Managers and crews are highly trained in all phases of landscape maintenance including monthly fertilizing program, formal or natural pruning, water conservation, and irrigation, weeding, tree trimming, pesticides and gopher/rodent control.

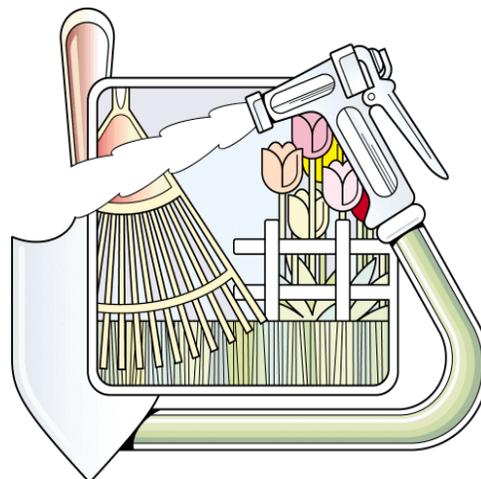
Our Landscape Maintenance Trademark is the prevalent green lawns which highlight all of our properties.

## SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY UPDATE

The San Diego County Water Authority has issued an urgent call for home-owners and businesses throughout San Diego County to curtail all unnecessary water use through the end of next week. This includes reducing landscape irrigation through the end of next week. Where landscape irrigation is necessary, the Water Authority advises watering between 8:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. to help reduce demands during the day.

With temperatures climbing beyond normal both on the coast and inland; treated water demand has stretched to the limit. And all treatment plants are running at full capacity.

It's absolutely imperative that we watch our watering with this heat wave, or we could be looking at mandatory water restrictions or a complete shutoff. Should manda-



tory shut-offs be implemented, people are advised to contact their local provider. With the help of all San Diegan's we can hopefully avoid mandatory water restrictions.

If you would like an irrigation evaluation of your property call Alex Millan at 619-339-2262. Alex or one of our irrigation specialists will come to your property immediately.

We are always available to all of our regular and prospective clients.