

## TURFGRASS AND LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION AUDIT



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A water audit was conducted at a Coachella Valley park site, comprised of a turf area measuring 820 square feet, and a desert landscape encompassing 7,000 square feet. The grass canopy of the lawn is composed of hybrid bermudagrass over-seeded with perennial ryegrass. A twenty-five foot cork oak located in the lawn, allows one half of the lawn to receive full sun, and the other half collects only filtered light. When the audit was performed in late May, the mixture of grasses in full sun are 70% hybrid bermudagrass, and 30% perennial ryegrass. In contrast, the shaded portions has a predominance of perennial ryegrass (85%), and only a small amount of hybrid bermudagrass (15%). The desert landscape contains eight different plant species throughout the bed. The plant ratio mix has six plants (75%) with low water needs (0.1 - 0.3), and two plants (25%) with moderate water requirements (0.4 – 0.6). Plants desiring low water amounts are aloe, red bird of paradise, red yucca, feathery senna, palo verde, and desert broom. Two plants with moderate water needs are trailing lantana, and rosemary. Both areas in the park are irrigated with potable water.







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# **TURFGRASS AND LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION AUDIT- OVERVIEW**

**Site Address:** Coachella Valley Area City Park (Riverside County)

**WUCOLS Region # 6      Sunset Zone 13:** Average summer time temperatures range from 106 to 108 degrees Fahrenheit. Winters are short and mild, with frosts anticipated from December 1 to February 15.

**Closest CIMIS Station:** Palm Desert M.W.E.L.O. ETo 71.8"

**Turfgrass Square Footage:** 820    **Landscape Square Footage:** 7,000

Name	Office	Cell	Email





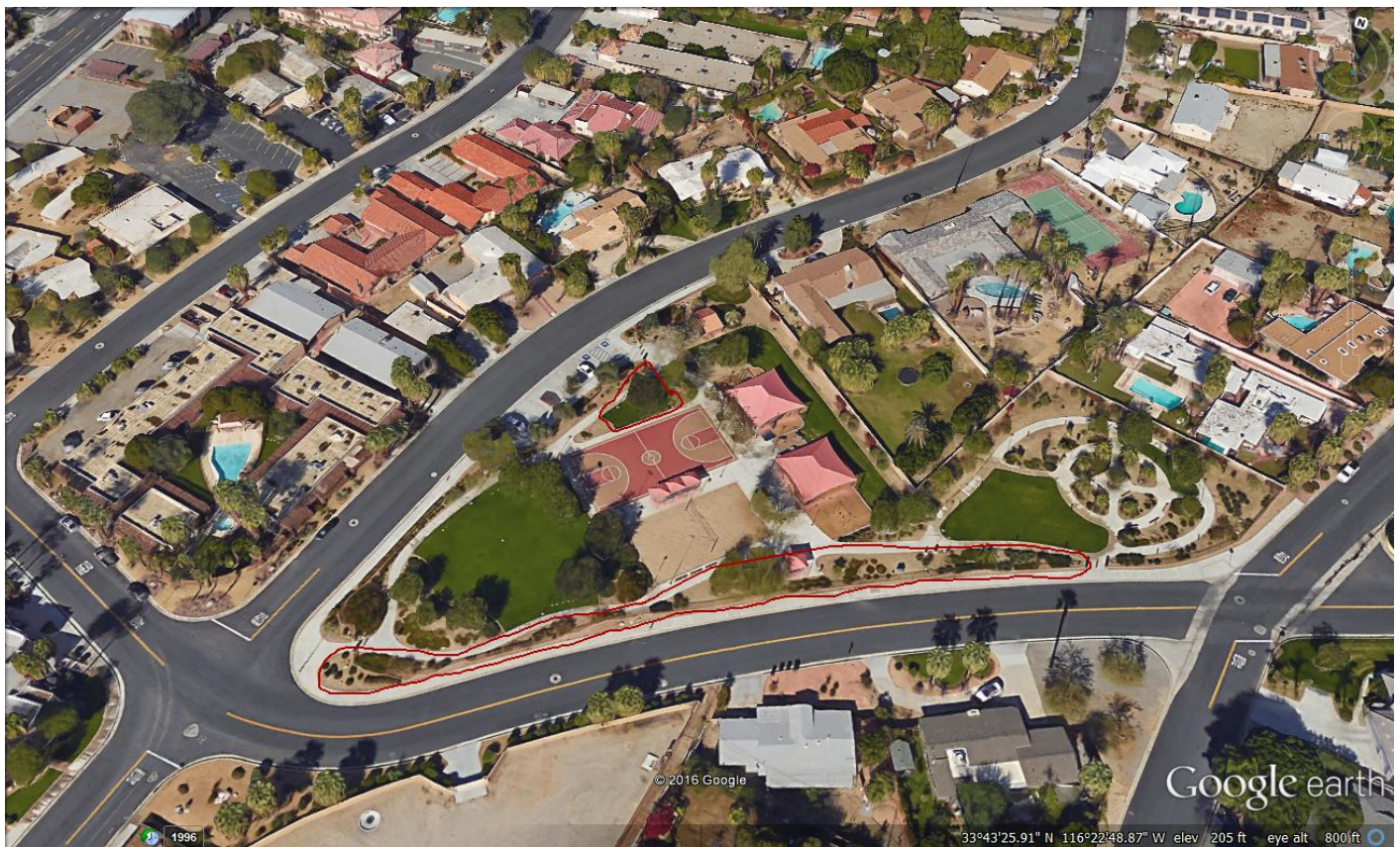
## GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION

### **City Park in Coachella Valley, County of Riverside, California**

The turf area (Zone #22) has 15 Rainbird 1800 spray heads that consist of 12 part circle sprinklers and 3 full circle heads. The Rainbird nozzles were converted to Hunter MP 1000 Rotators and the uniformity increased from 54% to 68%. The infiltration rate of the soil is 0.46 in/hr., which is considered moderately slow, and the lower precipitation rate 0.62 in/hr. (MP rotator) compared to 2.04 in/hr. (Rainbird 1800) prevents less runoff onto the sidewalk.

The desert landscape (Zone #11) is irrigated with drip irrigation using BowSmith drip emitters that apply water at 0.6 in/hr. All of the drip piping is buried, and only one emitter per plant is exposed.

Both of the zones have 1" water meters down-stream of the valve, so accurate flow rates can be recorded for each valve. Turf zone #22, is supplied by a 1 1/2" valve that has a base water flow of 8.0 gallons per minute, while the desert landscape zone #11, receives water from a 1" valve, and has a base water flow of 5.0 gpm. A central computer relays programmed information to a field clock, which activates a valve (via a clock station) to water a specific zone. The central computer uses historical evapotranspiration data from a local weather station to determine the amount of water needed daily.





## **WATER AUDIT PROCEDURES**

An initial visit to the park was done on May 16, 2016, meeting with the park maintenance staff. Zone #22, a small turfgrass area, was selected to conduct the water audit, and the following information was obtained:

1. Irrigation Controller # 405: Station: 22
2. The clock was activated and all 15 sprinklers were flagged. Each sprinkler was checked for proper operation, and adjustment.
3. A field test area data map was drawn. Sprinkler operating pressure, static pressure, dynamic pressure, and sprinkler head spacing was recorded.
4. A soil probe was inserted into the lawn to determine root depth, thatch layer buildup, organic matter accumulation, and the soil moisture content.
5. It was determined to use 36 catch devices throughout the lawn surface when performing the catch can test. Each catch location was recorded on the map.
6. An eight minute run time was used to collect water in the catch devices.
7. Water volumes were read and logged on the test area map.
8. The distribution uniformity and precipitation rate were calculated.  
Calculated Distribution Uniformity: 0.54      Calculated Precipitation Rate: 2.04 in/hr.
9. The irrigation controller and backflow information was documented.
10. The current water schedule for the turf zone was verified.
11. After discussing the poor sprinkler uniformity with the park supervisor, it was decided to retrofit the current spray nozzles with more uniform rotating nozzles.

On May 23, 2016, fifteen spray nozzles were retrofitted with 15 rotating nozzles. The following procedures were performed and the resulting information was collected:

1. The clock was activated and fifteen sprinklers were checked for proper operation, adjustment, and operating pressures.
2. A total of 36 catch devices were placed on the lawn surface and five separate columns were used to distribute all of the catch devices.
3. An eight minute run time was used to collect water in the catch devices.
4. Water volumes were read and logged on the test area map.
5. The distribution uniformity and precipitation rate was calculated.  
Calculated Distribution Uniformity: 0.68      Calculated Precipitation Rate: 0.62 in/hr.
6. An irrigation schedule was developed utilizing the plant water requirement, sprinkler performance, and soil-water properties.
7. Properly managing an irrigation schedule will incorporate the following scheduling factors.
  - The proper amount of water (considering weather and turf).
  - The proper frequency of irrigation (based on the soil's ability to store water and the intake rate of the soil).
  - The performance characteristics of the irrigation system (how quickly and evenly water is applied to the turfgrass).
  - The features of the irrigation controller and the characteristics of the site that determine appropriate program start times and maximum station run times without runoff.



# CITY PARK, COACHELLA VALLEY AREA

## RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADDITIONAL 25' OUTSIDE GATE

440' TO END OF  
PLANTER

START OF RED YUCCA

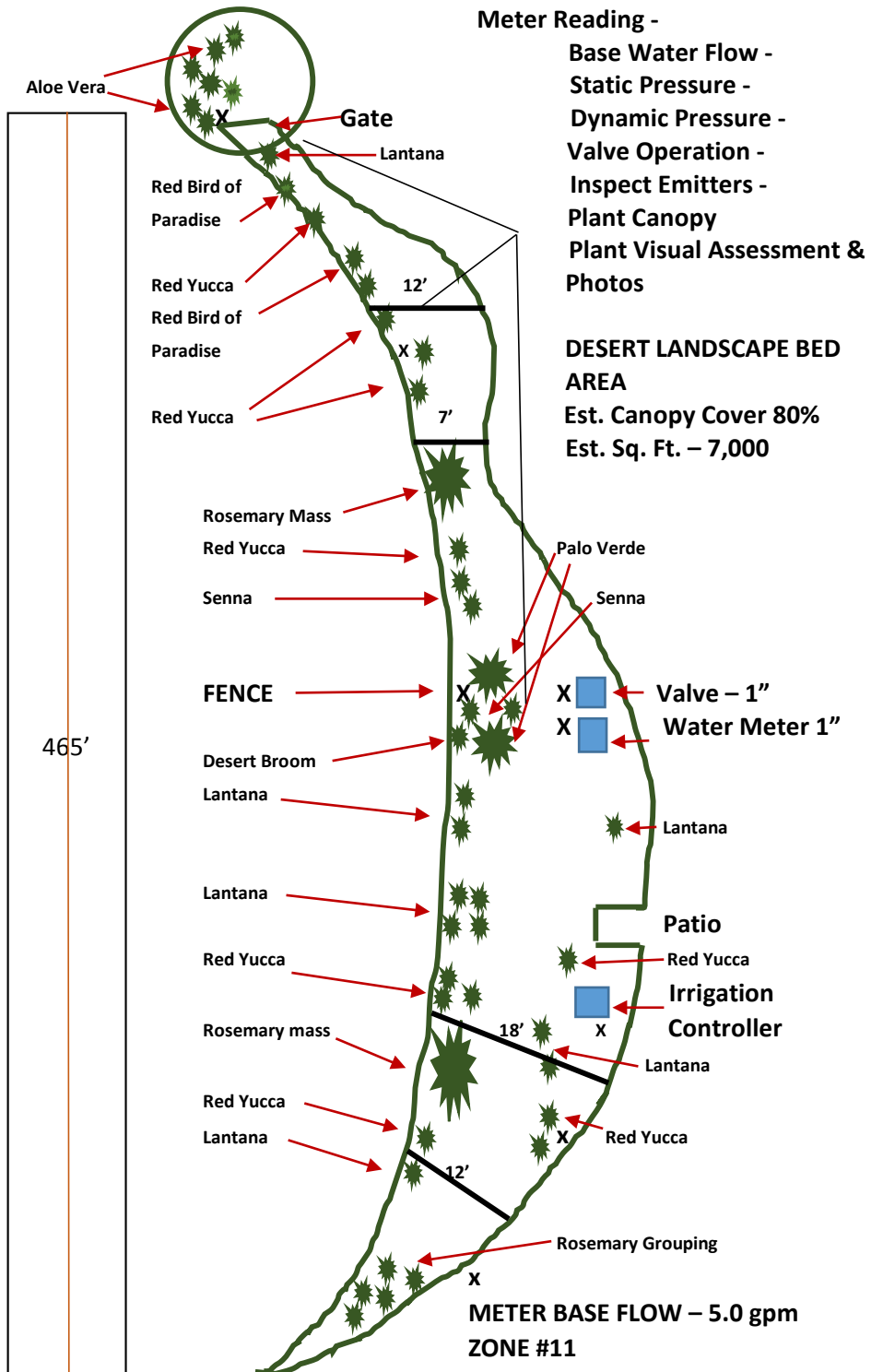
START OF RED YUCCA

START OF ROSEMARY



27' TO END OF ROSEMARY  
GROUPING

ONE EMITTER PER PLANT



Meter Reading -

Base Water Flow -  
Static Pressure -  
Dynamic Pressure -  
Valve Operation -  
Inspect Emitters -  
Plant Canopy  
Plant Visual Assessment &  
Photos

DESERT LANDSCAPE BED  
AREA

Est. Canopy Cover 80%  
Est. Sq. Ft. - 7,000

Valve - 1"  
Water Meter 1"

Patio

Irrigation  
Controller

METER BASE FLOW - 5.0 gpm  
ZONE #11

BOWSMITH DRIP EMITTERS - 0.6 GAL/HR

# SITE CONDITIONS REVIEW – SPRAY WORKSHEET #1

<b>Project Name</b>	City Park	<b>Date</b>	5/16/2016
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<b>Controller ID Name</b>	CALSENSE/405				
<b>Controller station(s) #</b>	22				
<b>Area/location</b>	N.W. lawn				
<b>Irrigated area</b>	820 ft <sup>2</sup>	ft <sup>2</sup>	ft <sup>2</sup>	ft <sup>2</sup>	ft <sup>2</sup>
<b>Plant material (all that apply)</b>	WS				
<b>Plant condition (choose one)</b>	HQ				
<b>Microclimate (choose one)</b>	FS				
<b>Soil category (choose one)</b>	M				
<b>Root depth</b>	3.5 in.	in.	in.	in.	in.
<b>Slope (choose one)</b>	FLAT				
<b>Compaction (Y/N)</b>	Yes				
<b>Runtime until runoff</b>	8 min.	min.	min.	min.	min.
<b>Standing water (Y/N)</b>	No				
<b>Hydrozone separation Y/N</b>	Yes				

## Abbreviation Key

### Plant Materials

CS = Cool season turf  
 WS = Warm season turf  
 T = Trees  
 S = Shrubs  
 N = Native  
 GC = Groundcover

### Soil Category

C = Coarse  
 MC = Moderately coarse  
 M = Medium  
 MF = Moderately fine  
 F = Fine

### Slope

F = Flat  
 SL = Slight  
 Mod = Moderate  
 Stp = Steep

### Plant Condition

LM = Low maintenance, stressed  
 TRD = Traditional, some stress, but generally good condition  
 HQ = High quality, majority are vigorously growing

### Microclimate

FS = Full sun all day  
 PS = Part shade, less than 6 hrs of sun/day  
 SH = Full shade all day  
 EX = Extreme conditions (parking lots, south-facing glass or wall)



## SPRINKLER SYSTEM REVIEW – SPRAY WORKSHEET #2

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**Abbreviation Key:** S = Spray, fixed nozzle R = Rotor, including MSMT nozzles I = Impact X – Needs correction ✓ = Correction

<b>Controller ID/Name</b>	CALSENSE/405									
<b>Controller Station #</b>	22		<b>First Test</b>				22		<b>Second Test</b>	
<b>Sprinkler type (choose one)</b>	Rainbird 1800 #12 nozzle		5/16/16				Hunter MP 1000 Rotator		5/23/16	
<b>Station flow</b>	18.9	gpm		gpm		gpm	8.2	gpm		gpm
<b>High pressure</b>	60	gpm					60	psi		psi
<b>Low pressure</b>	50	gpm					55	psi		psi
<b>Action Required (Place “x” for action needed, ✓ when completed)</b>	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓
<b>Broken pipes</b>										
<b>Missing/broken heads</b>										
<b>Missing nozzle</b>										
<b>Psi adjustment needed</b>										
<b>Clogged nozzle</b>										
<b>Heads not turning</b>										
<b>ARC misalignment</b>							X	✓		
<b>Low head drainage</b>										
<b>Leaking seals/fittings</b>										
<b>Spray deflected/blocked</b>										
<b>Sunken head</b>										
<b>Tilted heads</b>										
<b>Mismatched heads</b>										
<b>Spray/rotor separation</b>										
<b>Spacing uneven</b>	X						X	✓		
<b>Valve malfunction</b>										
<b>Observations on Maintenance Frequency</b>										

On 5/16/2016, all sprinklers were operating correctly and in adjustment. One sprinkler is unevenly spaced at 5 feet, and will be plugged in the future. When the second test was conducted, 15 Rainbird nozzles were replaced with Hunter MP 1000 Rotators. All sprinklers were checked for operation, and nozzles were adjusted to correspond with the required arc alignment. The sprinkler unevenly spaced at 5’ was capped.

## WATER SOURCE AND SYSTEM DATA – SPRAY WORKSHEET #3

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### Water Source Data

Water Source (check one)									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Potable		Reclaimed		Well		Pond		
	Other (explain)								
Backflow Device (check one)									
	None	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Reduced Pressure Assemble		Double Check Valve		Pressure Vacuum Breaker		Atmospheric Vacuum Breaker
Size		In.							
Other (explain)									
Pump or Pump Station (check one)									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No		Yes						
			Maximum Flow	gpm					
			Pressure	psi					
Meter (check one)									
	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes						
			Size		In.				
			Units (check one)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	gallons		Cubic feet		
			Static pressure	60		Psi (during scheduled irrigation window)			
			Dynamic pressure	50		Psi (during scheduled irrigation window)			

### POC Flow Data (use catalog data if non-metered sources exist)

Meter Number	Station Number	Gallons (cf)	Beginning Readings	Ending Readings	Total	Beginning Time	Ending Time	Elapsed Time
		GAL	135,100	135,270	170	9:25 AM	9:33 AM	8 min



## CONTROLLER FEATURES – SPRAY WORKSHEET #4

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<b>Manufacturer</b>				<b>Central Control (check one)</b>					
CALSENSE				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No		
<b>Model Number</b>				<b>Weather Station (check one)</b>					
ET2000				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No		
<b>Station Being Used</b>				<b>Smart Controller</b>					
32				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No		
<b>Station Run Time Range (min)</b>									
The minutes are calculated based on the precipitation rate, the amount of ET, crop coefficients and the percent of ET. If ET is not used, a manual override can be programmed.									
<b>Number of Programs</b>				<b>Start Times/Program</b>					
7				6					
<b>Calendar Days (check one)</b>									
<input type="checkbox"/>	7 days	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	14 days	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (explain)	7 day, 14 day, 20 day, or 28 day watering schedule capability			
<b>Irrigation Interval (check options available)</b>									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Daily	<input type="checkbox"/>	Even/Odd	<input type="checkbox"/>	Custom (explain)	By selection or interval			
<b>Rain Delay (maximum days)</b>				<b>Skip Day Period (maximum days)</b>					
Until the usable rain is used up, there will be no irrigation				0 to 31 days					
<b>Percent Adjust Options (check applicable)</b>									
<input type="checkbox"/>	Global	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	By program	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	By station	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	By month	<input type="checkbox"/>	Seasonal
<b>Sensors Installed (make &amp; model)</b>									
Rain									
Freeze									
Wind									
Temperature									
Flow		Provides protection for lateral and mainline breaks.							
Soil Moisture									
Tipping bucket									
<b>Notes:</b>									

## CONTROLLER SETTINGS – SPRAY WORKSHEET #5

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### Current Controller Settings

Program	Start Times				Days On													
	1	2	3	4														
A	2 AM				✓	S	✓	M	✓	T		W	✓	T	✓	F	✓	S
B						S		M		T		W		T		F		S
C	5 AM				✓	S	✓	M		T	✓	W		T	✓	F	✓	S
D						S		M		T		W		T		F		S

Program	Station	Minutes		Program	Station	Minutes		Program	Station	Minutes
A	2	9								
C	11	26								

### Smart Controller Settings

Station	Program	PR	DU	Plant Factor	Soil Type	Slope	Soil Moisture



# CATCH CAN LAYOUT – TEST AREA MAP – SPRAY WORKSHEET #6

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820 Sq. Ft.

CALSENSE

Test Area/Station	TURF PROGRAM A		ZONE #22		TEMP.			
Test Run Time	8	Min	Wind	calm	0 Mph	Pressure	60	psi
Meter Start	135100		Meter Stop	135270		Total	170 Gals	

\*\*Indicate north and ALL audit area and sprinkler dimensions

O = SPRINKLER – Record the location of each sprinkler and sprinkler spacing

X = CATCH DEVICE – Record the location of each catch device and catch amount

STATIC PRESSURE - 60

DYNAMIC PRESURE - 50

SOIL PROB DEPTH – 5"

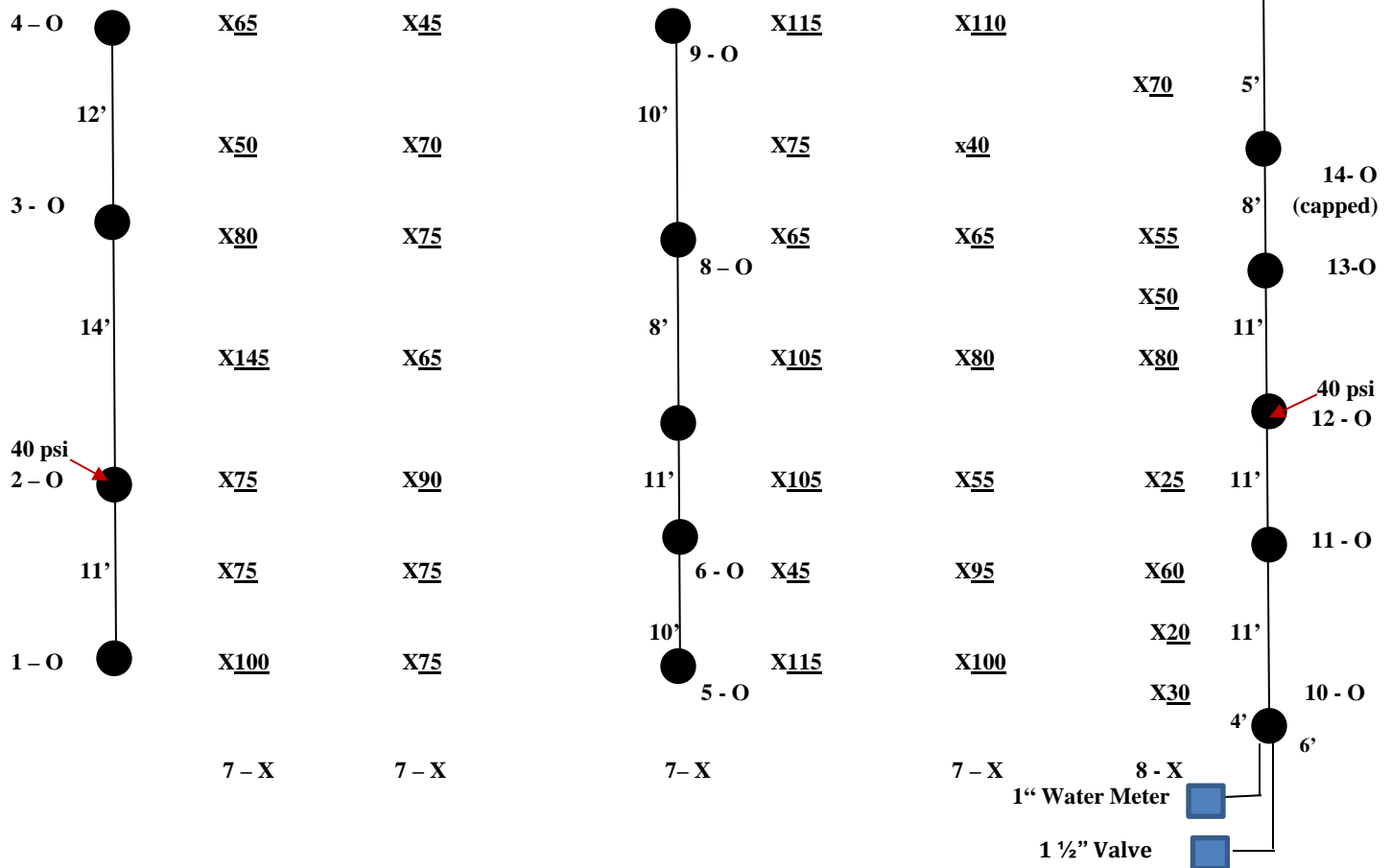
ROOTS – 3.5"

THATCH – 1.5 "

OM – 2"

SOIL MOISTURE – 4"

BASE WATER FLOW - 21 gpm



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CALSENSE

Test Area/Station	TURF PROGRAM A		ZONE #22		TEMP.			
Test Run Time	8	Min	Wind	calm	0 Mph	Pressure	60	psi
Meter Start	136960		Meter Stop	137020		Total	60 gpm	

**\*\*Indicate north and ALL audit area and sprinkler dimensions**

**O = SPRINKLER** – Record the location of each sprinkler and sprinkler spacing

**X = CATCH DEVICE** – Record the location of each catch device and catch amount

STATIC PRESSURE - 60

DYNAMIC PRESURE - 55

SOIL PROB DEPTH – 5"

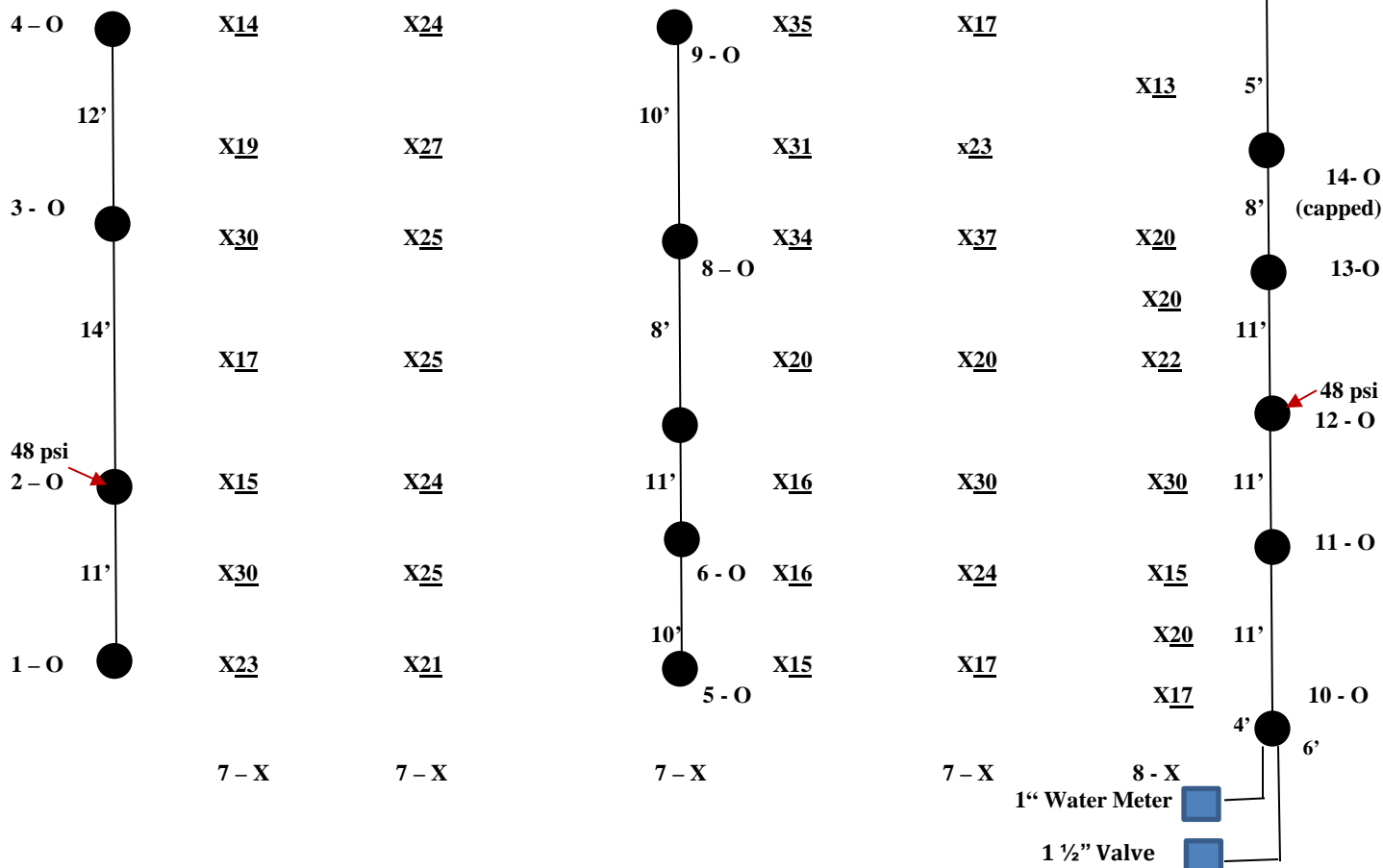
ROOTS – 3.5"

THATCH – 1.5"

OM – 2"

SOIL MOISTURE – 3.5

BASE WATER FLOW - 8 gpm



X = CATCH CAN LOCATION 36

● = SPRINKLERS 1-15 - O

N





# SPRINKLER MEASUREMENTS – TEST AREA MAP – SPRAY WORKSHEET #6

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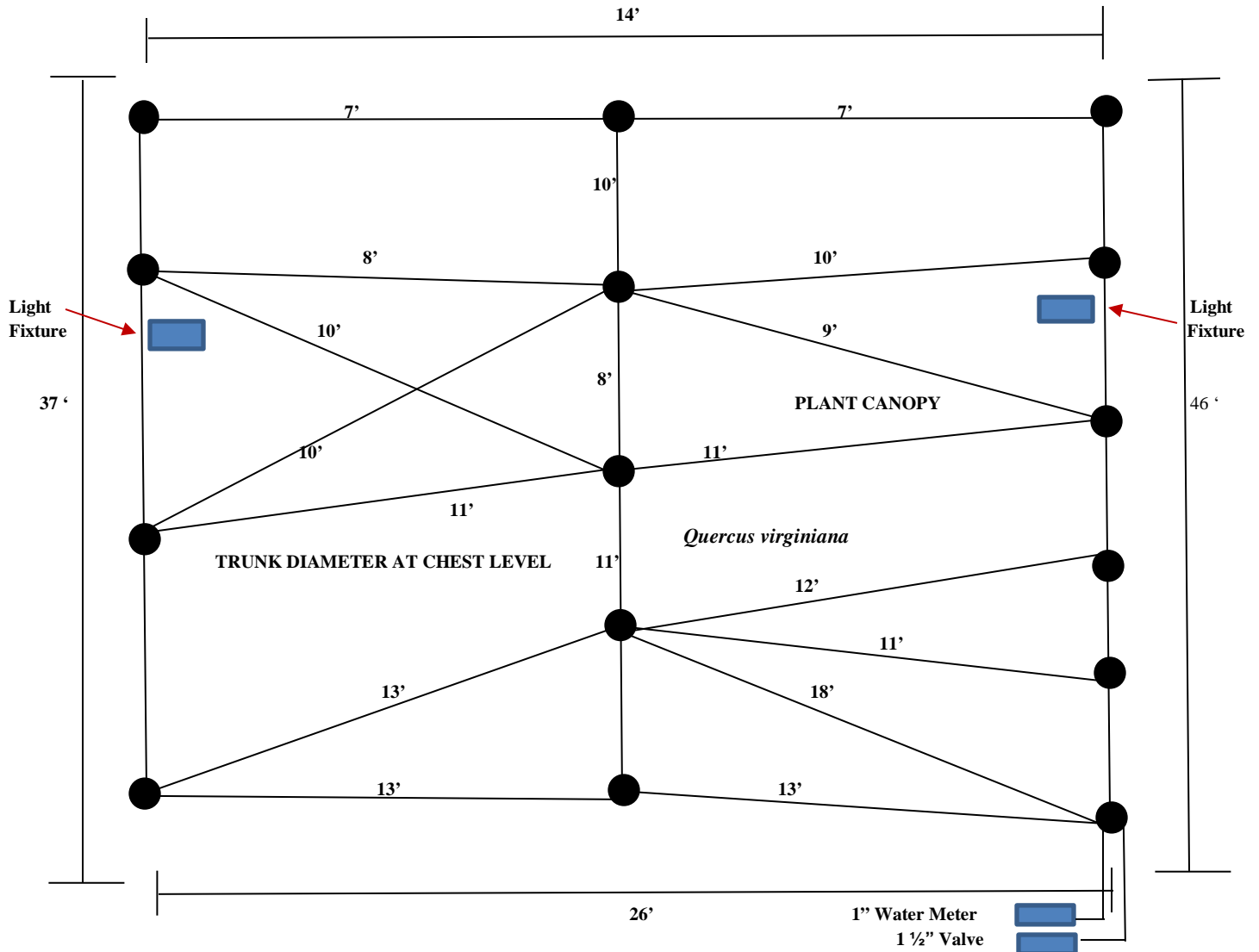
CALSENSE

Test Area/Station	TURF PROGRAM A		ZONE #22		TEMP.			
Test Run Time		Min	Wind		Mph	Pressure		psi
Meter Start			Meter Stop			Total		

**\*\*Indicate north and ALL audit area and sprinkler dimensions**

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## CATCH CAN TEST – SPRAY WORKSHEET #7

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<b>Test Area/Station</b>	N.W. LAWN/ZONE 22				
<b>Catch Device Area (ACD)</b>	16.5	in. <sup>2</sup>	<b>Test Run Time (tr)</b>	8	min

**Catch Device Volumes:** All values and calculations must be completed on this page; auditing software is not acceptable for use in determining these values.

#1	100	#13	70	#25	80	#37		#49		#61		#73	
#2	75	#14	45	#26	65	#38		#50		#62		#74	
#3	75	#15	115	#27	40	#39		#51		#63		#75	
#4	145	#16	45	#28	110	#40		#52		#64		#76	
#5	80	#17	105	#29	30	#41		#53		#65		#77	
#6	50	#18	105	#30	20	#42		#54		#66		#78	
#7	65	#19	65	#31	60	#43		#55		#67		#79	
#8	75	#20	75	#32	25	#44		#56		#68		#80	
#9	75	#21	115	#33	80	#45		#57		#69		#81	
#10	90	#22	100	#34	50	#46		#58		#70		#82	
#11	65	#23	95	#35	55	#47		#59		#71		#83	
#12	75	#24	55	#36	70	#48		#60		#72		#84	
<b>Sub Total</b>	970	<b>Sub Total</b>	990	<b>Sub Total</b>	685	<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>Sub Total</b>	

<b>Total Catch Volume</b>	2,645	<b>Total Low Quarter</b>	360
<b>Average Volume</b>	73.47	<b>Average Low Quarter</b>	40

**Calculate Distribution Uniformity (show work)**

**Calculate Net Precipitation Rate (show work)**

$$DU_{LQ} = \frac{\text{avg catch in low quarter}}{\text{avg catch volume}}$$

$$= \frac{40 \text{ mL}}{73.47 \text{ mL}}$$

$$= 0.54$$

$$PR_{net} = \frac{3.66 \times V_{avg}}{T_r \times ACD}$$

$$= \frac{3.66 \times (73.47 \text{ mL})}{(8 \text{ min}) \times 16.5 \text{ in}^2}$$

$$= 2.04 \text{ in/Hr}$$

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<b>Test Area/Station</b>	N.W. LAWN/ZONE 22				
<b>Catch Device Area (ACD)</b>	16.5	in. <sup>2</sup>	<b>Test Run Time (tr)</b>	8	min

**Catch Device Volumes:** All values and calculations must be completed on this page; auditing software is not acceptable for use in determining these values.

#1	23	#13	27	#25	20	#37		#49		#61		#73	
#2	30	#14	24	#26	37	#38		#50		#62		#74	
#3	<b>15</b>	#15	<b>15</b>	#27	23	#39		#51		#63		#75	
#4	<b>17</b>	#16	<b>16</b>	#28	17	#40		#52		#64		#76	
#5	30	#17	<b>16</b>	#29	17	#41		#53		#65		#77	
#6	19	#18	20	#30	20	#42		#54		#66		#78	
#7	<b>14</b>	#19	34	#31	<b>15</b>	#43		#55		#67		#79	
#8	21	#20	31	#32	30	#44		#56		#68		#80	
#9	25	#21	35	#33	22	#45		#57		#69		#81	
#10	24	#22	<b>17</b>	#34	20	#46		#58		#70		#82	
#11	25	#23	24	#35	20	#47		#59		#71		#83	
#12	25	#24	30	#36	<b>13</b>	#48		#60		#72		#84	
<b>Sub Total</b>	268	<b>Sub Total</b>	289	<b>Sub Total</b>	254	<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>Sub Total</b>	

<b>Total Catch Volume</b>	811	<b>Total Low Quarter</b>	138
<b>Average Volume</b>	22.53	<b>Average Low Quarter</b>	15.33

**Calculate Distribution Uniformity (show work)**

**Calculate Net Precipitation Rate (show work)**

$\text{DULQ} = \frac{\text{avg catch in low quarter}}{\text{avg catch volume}}$ $= \frac{15.33 \text{ mL}}{22.53 \text{ mL}}$ $= \underline{0.68}$	$\text{PR}_{\text{net}} = \frac{3.66 \times V_{\text{avg}}}{T_r \times \text{ACD}}$ $= \frac{3.66 \times (22.53 \text{ mL})}{(8 \text{ min}) \times 16.5 \text{ in}^2}$ $= \underline{0.62 \text{ in/Hr}}$
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## SOIL MOISTURE IRRIGATION SCHEDULE – SPRAY WORKSHEET #8

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	Plant Water Requirement	Value	Units	Source
A.	Hydrozone type	WST		Field observation
B.	Reference Period	1	days	
C.	Reference ET (ET <sub>o</sub> )	0.28	In.	Weather data
D.	Landscape coefficient (KL)	0.60		KT x Kd x Kmc
	1) Turf or plant factor (Kt or Kp)	0.6		Charts and tables
	2) Vegetation density factor (Kd)	1		Charts and tables
	3) Microclimate factor (Kmc)	1		Charts and tables
E.	Landscape ET (ETL)	0.17	In.	C x D
F.	Average daily ETL	0.17	In.	E ÷ B

	Sprinkler Performance	Value	Units	Source
G.	Precipitation rate (PR)	2.04	In./hr	Audit or calculation
H.	Distribution uniformity (DULQ)	0.54	decimal	Audit or estimate
I.	Scheduling multiplier (SM)	1.38		Table or equation

	Soil Moisture "Bucket"	Value	Units	Source
J.	Soil category	Sandy Loam		Field observation
K.	Available water (AW)	0.09	In./in	Charts and tables
L.	Root zone depth	3.5	In	Field measurement
M.	Plant available water (PAW)	0.32	In.	K x L
N.	Management allowable depletion (MAD)	.50	decimal	50% for landscapes
O.	Allowable depletion (AD)	0.16	In.	M x N

	Scheduling Parameters	Value	Units	Source
P.	Irrigation interval	1	days	O ÷ F (round down)
Q.	Water to apply	0.17	In.	F x P
R.	Lower boundary	5	min	(Q ÷ G) x 60 (round down)
S.	Upper boundary	7	min	(R x I) (round up)
T.	<b>Selected Run Time</b>	6	min	Management decision
U.	Determine cycle starts (Choose method A or B)			
	a. Observed time to runoff	12	min	Field observation
OR	b. Site conditions	1	cycles	Based on site conditions
	1) Soil category	Coarse = 1, Medium = 2, Fine = 3		
	2) Slope	Flat = 0, Slight = 1, Moderate = 2, Steep = 3		
	3) Compaction	No = 0, Yes = 1		
	4) Sprinkler type	Rotor = 0, Spray = 1		

	Scheduling Summary	Value	Units	Source
	Water to be applied	0.17	In.	Line Q
	Interval	1	days	Line P
	Cycle starts per day	1		(Line T ÷ U-a or U-b) (round up)
	Minutes per cycle	6	min	Line T ÷ Cycle starts

\*Must be expressed as an integer.



## SOIL MOISTURE IRRIGATION SCHEDULE – SPRAY WORKSHEET #8

<b>Project Name</b>	City Park	<b>Date</b>	5/23/2016	
<b>Address</b>	Coachella Valley	<b>Candidate ID #</b>	69674	
<b>City, State</b>	Riverside County, CA	<b>Page</b>	1	
	<b>Plant Water Requirement</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Source</b>
A.	Hydrozone type	WST		Field observation
B.	Reference Period	1	days	
C.	Reference ET (ET <sub>o</sub> )	0.28	In.	Weather data
D.	Landscape coefficient (KL)	0.60		KT x Kd x Kmc
	4) Turf or plant factor (Kt or Kp)	0.6		Charts and tables
	5) Vegetation density factor (Kd)	1		Charts and tables
	6) Microclimate factor (Kmc)	1		Charts and tables
E.	Landscape ET (ETL)	0.17	In.	C x D
F.	Average daily ETL)	0.17	In.	E ÷ B
	<b>Sprinkler Performance</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Source</b>
G.	Precipitation rate (PR)	0.62	In./hr	Audit or calculation
H.	Distribution uniformity (DULQ)	0.68	decimal	Audit or estimate
I.	Scheduling multiplier (SM)	1.24		Table or equation
	<b>Soil Moisture "Bucket"</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Source</b>
J.	Soil category	Sandy Loam		Field observation
K.	Available water (AW)	0.09	In./in	Charts and tables
L.	Root zone depth	3.5	In	Field measurement
M.	Plant available water (PAW)	0.32	In.	K x L
N.	Management allowable depletion (MAD)	.50	decimal	50% for landscapes
O.	Allowable depletion (AD)	0.16	In.	M x N
	<b>Scheduling Parameters</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Source</b>
P.	Irrigation interval	1	days	O ÷ F (round down)
Q.	Water to apply	0.17	In.	F x P
R.	Lower boundary	16	min	(Q ÷ G) x 60 (round down)
S.	Upper boundary	20	min	(R x I) (round up)
T.	<b>Selected Run Time</b>	16	min	Management decision
U.	Determine cycle starts (Choose method A or B)			
	c. Observed time to runoff	12	min	Field observation
OR	d. Site conditions	1	cycles	Based on site conditions
	5) Soil category	Coarse = 1, Medium = 2, Fine = 3		
	6) Slope	Flat = 0, Slight = 1, Moderate = 2, Steep = 3		
	7) Compaction	No = 0, Yes = 1		
	8) Sprinkler type	Rotor = 0, Spray = 1		
	<b>Scheduling Summary</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Source</b>
	Water to be applied	0.17	In.	Line Q
	Interval	1	days	Line P
	Cycle starts per day	2		(Line T ÷ U-a or U-b) (round up)
	Minutes per cycle	8	min	Line T ÷ Cycle starts

\*Must be expressed as an integer.

## PROCEDURAL STEPS FOR A WATER AUDIT CONDUCTED BY WBA STAFF

### Preparing the Test Area Data and Map





## Measuring Area for Placement of Catch Cans





## Placement of catch cans





Pressure Gauge



## Water Meter





## Irrigation





Measuring catch can water







COMPREHENSIVE SOIL ANALYSIS

Sample Description - Sample ID	Half Sat %	pH	ECe dS/m	NO <sub>3</sub> -N ppm	NH <sub>4</sub> -N ppm	PO <sub>4</sub> -P ppm	K ppm	Ca ppm	Mg ppm	Cu ppm	Zn ppm	Mn ppm	Fe ppm	Organic % dry wt.	Lab No.
	TEC	Qual Lime		Sufficiency Factors											
Site Soil	22	7.1	1.2	54	6	43	158	1353	134	2.2	9.3	4	48		07897
	80	None		1.4		1.6	1.1	1.0	0.7	2.1	2.3	0.4	1.2		

Saturation Extract Values						SAR	Gravel %		Percent of Sample Passing 2 mm Screen					USDA Soil Classification	Lab No.
Ca meq/L	Mg meq/L	Na meq/L	K meq/L	B ppm	SO <sub>4</sub> meq/L		Coarse 5 - 12	Fine 2 - 5	Very Coarse 1 - 2	Sand		Silt .002-.05	Clay 0-.002		
7.7	1.7	3.7	0.5	0.08	2.9	1.7	4.8	7.3	8.5	Coarse 0.5 - 1	Med. to Very Fine 0.05 - 0.5	17.8	5.8	Loamy Sand	07897

Infiltration Rate = .46 inches/hour

Very Slow	<0.06
Slow	0.06 – 0.20
Moderately Slow	0.20 – 0.60
Moderate	0.60 – 2.00
Moderately Rapid	2.00 – 6.00
Rapid	6.00 – 20.00
Very Rapid	>20.00



## IRRIGATION WATER



Sample Id : **Water**

CATIONS		mg/L	meq/L
Sodium	Na	31	1.35
Calcium	Ca	48	2.40
Magnesium	Mg	11	0.91
Potassium	K	3	0.08
Ammonium	NH <sub>4</sub>	0	0.00
	NH <sub>4</sub> - N	0	
SUM OF CATIONS		4.74	

ANIONS		mg/L	meq/L
Chloride	Cl	41	1.15
Sulfate	SO <sub>4</sub>	91	1.90
	S	30	
Bicarbonate	HCO <sub>3</sub>	126	2.07
Carbonate	CO <sub>3</sub>	0	0.00
Nitrate	NO <sub>3</sub>	22	0.35
	NO <sub>3</sub> - N	5	
Phosphate	PO <sub>4</sub>	2	0.06
	P	1	
SUM OF ANIONS		5.53	

Hydrogen Ion Activity	pH	7.5
Equilibrium Reaction	pHc	6.43
Electrical Conductivity	ECw	0.50 dS/m
Total Dissolved Solids	TDS	320 mg/L
Adj Na Adsorption Ratio	SARadj	1.08
Sodium Adsorption Ratio	SAR	1.05

Copper	Cu	0.06 mg/L
Zinc	Zn	0.05 mg/L
Manganese	Mn	0.01 mg/L
Iron	Fe	0.42 mg/L
Boron	B	0.14 mg/L
Fluoride	F	0.27 mg/L
Aluminum	Al	0.47 mg/L
Molybdenum	Mo	0.04 mg/L

mg/L = parts per million parts water  
TDS calculated by ECw \* 640

meq/L - milliequivalents per liter



## IRRIGATION WATER



Sample Id : **Water**

### WATER ANALYSIS INTERPRETATION, AGRICULTURAL

Potential Problem	Units	Test Result	Degree of Restriction on Use					
			Criteria			Graphical Results		
			None	Slight to Moderate	Severe	None	Slight to Moderate	Severe
<b>Salinity</b> ECw <sup>1</sup>	dS/m	0.50	< 0.7	0.7 - 3	> 3			
<b>Specific Ion Toxicity</b>								
<b>Sodium (Na)<sup>1</sup></b>								
Surface irrigation	SARadj	1.08	< 3	3 - 9	> 9			
Sprinkler irrigation <sup>2</sup>	meq/L	1.35	< 3	3 - 6	> 6			
<b>Chloride (Cl)<sup>1</sup></b>								
Surface irrigation	meq/L	1.15	< 4	4 - 10	> 10			
Sprinkler irrigation <sup>2</sup>	meq/L	1.15	< 3	3 - 5	> 5			
<b>Boron (B)<sup>1</sup></b>	mg/L	0.14	< 0.7	0.7 - 3	> 3			
<b>Fluoride (F)<sup>1</sup></b>	mg/L	0.27	< 1	1 - 5	> 5			
<b>Clogging of Drip Systems or Unsightly Residues</b>								
<b>Iron (Fe)<sup>3</sup></b>	mg/L	0.42	< 0.3	0.3 - 1.5	> 1.5			
<b>Manganese (Mn)<sup>3</sup></b>	mg/L	0.01	< 0.2	0.2 - 1.5	> 1.5			
<b>pH - pHc<sup>4</sup></b>		1.07	<= 0	> 0				
<b>Reduced Water Infiltration<sup>5</sup></b> ( Based on ECw and SAR values)		2.16	< 4	4 - 10	> 10			
<b>Alkalinity</b> <b>Bicarbonate (HCO3)<sup>6</sup></b>	meq/L	2.07	< 2	2 - 8.5	> 8.5			
<b>Potential Low Nutrient Issues (Soilless media)<sup>7</sup></b>								
<b>Sulfur</b>	mg/L	30	> 48	48 - 20	< 20			
<b>Magnesium</b>	mg/L	11	> 10	10 - 4	< 4			
<b>Boron</b>	mg/L	0.14	> 0.3	0.3 - 0.05	< 0.05			

1. Crop tolerance to salinity, sodium, chloride, boron and fluoride varies widely. Most tree crops are sensitive to sodium and chloride while many annual crops are not. Soil conditions, irrigation method and climate must be considered.
2. Leaf burn from foliar and root absorption will be enhanced under conditions of : low humidity, high temperature and high air movement .
3. Elevated iron in combination with sulfides or tannins can result in bacterial slimes that can clog drip systems. Removal of iron and manganese often involves oxidation ( aeration or chlorination ) followed by filtering.
4. Positive pH - pHc ( saturation index ) values indicate the potential for calcium and magnesium carbonate precipitates that might impair efficiency of irrigation systems with small orificed parts and/or may leave unsightly lime deposits on leaves. Problems can be reduced by mineral acid addition.
5. Infiltration problems are most likely when water with low ECw and/or high SAR adj. is used on mineral soils containing some silt and clay.  
Evaluation of infiltration problems should include analysis of both irrigation water and soil-water extracts. Treatment may involve injecting gypsum into the water or applying gypsum to the soil surface.
6. Bicarbonate when excessive may result in difficulty in controlling soil pH and may impair root assimilation of minor elements.
7. Sulfur, magnesium and /or boron may become limiting if not supplied by soil or fertilizer. Use soil and leaf analysis to confirm need.

**Comments :**