GOLF COURSE IRRIGATION AUDIT



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A water audit was conducted on an irregularly shaped putting green that has a total area of 4,328 square feet. The plant canopy of the putting surface is composed of Tifdwarf bermudagrass, which is over-seeded in the fall with a combination of perennial ryegrass and Poa trivialis. The warm season ultradwarf bermudagrass is able to withstand summer temperatures exceeding 100 degrees, while the over-seeded cool season grasses provide a green putting surface that rolls true and fast during the winter golfing season.

When the audit was performed in late May, the cool season mixture of grasses were transitioning back to ultradwarf bermudagrass. The estimated plant canopy was 85% ultradwarf bermudagrass, and 15% cool season grasses. The dominance of a warm season grass during the summer is preferred, because this grass species will survive the hot ambient temperatures, and require less water.





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GOLF COURSE IRRIGATION AUDIT- OVERVIEW

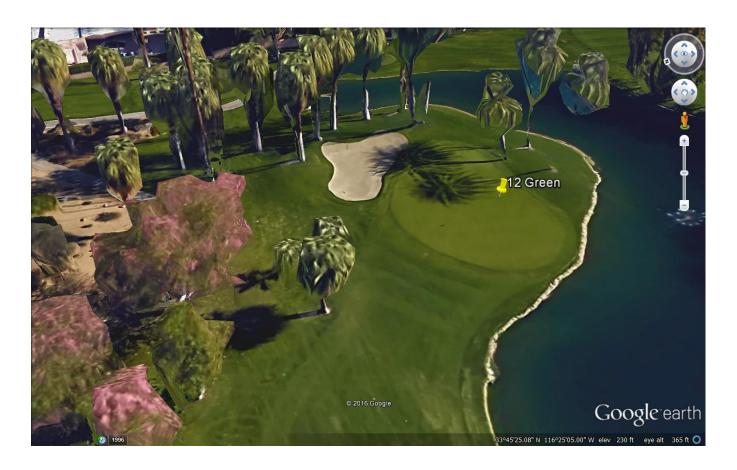
Site Address: Coachella Valley Area Golf Course (Riverside County)

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: Rancho Mirage M.W.E.L.O. ETo 71.6"

Green #12 Square Footage: 4,328

Name	Office	Cell	Email



GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION

#12 Green at Golf Course in Coachella Valley, California



Turf Irrigation Audit Description: The 4,328 square foot putting green is irrigated with five gear driven rotary sprinklers. The Rainbird Model 750 contains a #18 yellow nozzle, that is directed to apply water inward towards the green, and rotate 180 degrees or to the outside of the green surface. Backup sprinklers of the same type, irrigate outwards from the green 180 degrees. Each sprinkler is valve-in-head, so each sprinkler has a dedicated station from the irrigation controller. This allows greater flexibility to apply different amounts of water if needed.

A field clock relays programmed information from a central computer to the sprinkler. The computer records daily evapotranspiration rates from an in-house weather station, so water is delivered daily according to weather conditions. Also, flow rates in irrigation mainlines are regulated from the computer to the variable speed pump station, so flow rates never exceed pipe capacities, and the irrigation system operates at peak efficiency, while managing flow in real time.

WATER AUDIT PROCEDURES

An initial visit to the golf course was done on May 17, 2016, meeting with the golf course superintendent and irrigator. We selected the 12th Green to conduct the water audit, and with the assistance of the irrigator the following information was obtained:

- 1. Irrigation Controller #603: Stations 1, 2,3,4,5
- 2. The clock was activated and all five 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 green to determine root depth, thatch layer buildup, organic matter accumulation, and the soil moisture content.
- 5. It was determined to use 32 catch devices throughout the green surface when performing the catch can test. Each catch location was recorded on the map.
- 6. Irrigation Controller and Pump Station information was documented.
- 7. The current watering schedule for the green was verified.

On May 26, 2016 a catch can test was conducted on #12 Green and the following procedures were performed:

- 1. All five sprinklers were activated and checked for proper operation, adjustment, and operating pressures.
- 2. A total of 32 catch devices were placed on the green surface and five separate columns were used to distribute all of the catch devices.
- 3. A five 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 were calculated.
- 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.

GREEN WORKSHEET #1 - SITE INSPECTION

Site Name: Coachella Valley Area Golf Course Audit Date: 5/26/2016

Candidate ID #: 69674 **Sheet #** 1 of 1

Site inspection is only necessary on the zones being audited. Record the number of defects for each sprinkler problem or check mark for zone problems; leave blank if no problem exists.

Controller Identification WST: Warm Season Turf

Station Number:	1	2	3	4	5		
Turfgrass Type	WST	WST	WST	WST	WST		
Sprinkler Type	Dotomy	Dotomy	Dotomy	Dotomy	Dotory		
Geared Rotary	Rotary	Rotary	Rotary	Rotary	Rotary		
Observed problems:							
Valve Malfunctions							
Low Pressure							
High Pressure							
Tilted Sprinklers							
Spray Deflection							
Sunken Sprinklers							
Plugged Sprinklers							
Arc Misalignment							
Low Sprinkler Drainage							
Leaky Seals or Fittings							
Lateral or Drip Line Leaks							
Missing or Broken Heads							
Slow Drainage or Ponding							
Compaction/Thatch/Runoff							

Notes and Comments: Sprinkler: Rainbird 750 - #18 yellow nozzle. No problems were observed involving sprinkler or piping equipment.

GREEN WORKSHEET #2 – SITE INSPECTIONController and Point of Connection (POC Information

Site Name: Coachella Valley Area Golf Course /#12 Green Audit Date: 5/26/2016

Candidate ID #: 69674 **Sheet #1 of 1**

Central Control	<u>X</u>	yes	no

Controller Make & Model:

Rainbird Par ES

Number of Stations	72	Minimum run time	1 min.	Maximum run time	120 min.
Number of programs	8	Cycles per program	12	Stations per program	72
Days per week	7	Max. hours per day	24	Calendar Period	7 days or variable
Slip Day	Yes	Cycle Soak	Yes	Percent adjust	0-200%

Other controller features

Cycle and soak, pump profiling, Flo Manager, Smart Pump

List sensors installed/capabilities

Weather Station, Rain season

Program	Start Time(s)	Start Days	Cycle/Rest Time	Station	Run Time
A	4:00 AM	MTWTHFSS	2 cycle/15 min	1	5 minutes
A	One Start	MTWTHFSS	2 cycle/15 min	2	5 minutes
A	Time For	MTWTHFSS	2 cycle/15 min	3	5 minutes
A	Greens, Flo	MTWTHFSS	2 cycle/15 min	4	5 minutes
A	Manager	MTWTHFSS	2 cycle/15 min	5	5 minutes
Completes the (2	2) 5 minute cycles				

POC PRESSURE DATA

Dynamic pressure at source: 110 psi Dynamic pressure at test area: 110 psi Time of Day: 7:39 AM Static Pressure at source: 110 psi Static pressure at test area: 110 psi Time of Day: 7:36 AM

Notes: Backflow device, pump station, regulator

Pump station – Flotronex Variable Frequency Drive (4) 75 HP Booster Pumps (1) 25 HP Jockey Pump

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
Pump	Station	Gallons	5,375,420	5,375,995	575 gals.	7:35 AM	7:40 AM	5 min.

GREEN WORKSHEET #3 – TEST AEA DATA AND MAP

Site Name: Coachella Valley Area Golf Course Sub Area: #12 Green Audit Date: 5/26/2016 **Candidate ID #:** <u>69674</u> STATION # 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \mathbf{E} **CONTROLLER 603** 86 psi 50' **RUN TIME 5 minutes** X<u>25</u> X40 48' PRESSURE 110 psi X<u>40</u> X30 X<u>30</u> PLANT MATERIAL X<u>35</u> ☐ Cool season turf X<u>40</u> 90 psi X<u>30</u> X<u>44</u> **⊠** Warm season turf ☐ Ground Cover 60' X<u>30</u> □ Shrubs X<u>39</u> X28 X<u>40</u> 2 **DENSITY FACTOR (Kd)** 0 X<u>35</u> 90 psi X<u>30</u> X<u>39</u> X43 High S N \boxtimes Average X<u>30</u> Low 5 X<u>34</u> X<u>40</u> X29 0 MICROCLIMATE FACTOR (Kmc) X<u>30</u> 92 psi ☐ High X25 **△** Average X<u>30</u> \square Low O ROOTZONE DEPTH 90 psi 3 inches ROTATION - 0:54 **SOIL TYPE** \mathbf{W} Clay Loam X Sand Other__ **ZONE** 32 Catchments Indicate north and ALL audit area dimensions 4,328 sq. ft. Overlap \Box **Stand-alone O** = SPRINKLER Record the location of each sprinkler and sprinkler spacing. X = CATCH DEVICE Record the location of each catch device and catch amount. X Valve-in-head **Block**

GREEN WORKSHEET #4 – DU AND PR CALCULATIONS

Site Name/Location: Coachella Valley Area Golf Course/#12 Green

Audit Date: 5/26/2016 **Candidate ID #:** 69674

All Values and calculations must be completed on this page; auditing software is not acceptable for use in determining these values.

Run time (tr.): 5 minutes Catchment type: Texas A & M Catchment Device Area (Acd): 16.5 sq. in.

1) Record ALL catch device values 2) bold ALL values to calculate lower quarter

Can #1	<u>30</u>	#11	<u>40</u>	#21	<u>29</u>	#31	<u>20</u>	#41	#51	#61
Can #2	<u>30</u>	#12	<u>40</u>	#22	<u>30</u>	#32	<u>24</u>	#42	#52	#62
Can #3	<u>35</u>	#13	30	#23	<u>28</u>	#33		#43	#53	#63
Can #4	<u>30</u>	#14	<u>40</u>	#24	<u>30</u>	#34		#44	#54	#64
Can #5	<u>35</u>	#15	<u>39</u>	#25	<u>30</u>	#35		#45	#55	#65
Can #6	<u>25</u>	#16	39	#26	<u>30</u>	#36		#46	#56	#66
Can #7	<u>34</u>	#17	<u>40</u>	#27	<u>20</u>	#37		#47	#57	#67
Can #8	<u>43</u>	#18	<u>30</u>	#28	<u>25</u>	#38		#48	#58	#68
Can #9	<u>40</u>	#19	<u>25</u>	#29	<u>30</u>	#39		#49	#59	#69
Can #10	<u>44</u>	#20	<u>25</u>	#30	<u>27</u>	#40		#50	#60	#70

Column

Subtotals <u>346</u> <u>348</u> <u>279</u> <u>44</u>

TOTAL CATCH: 1,017 mL AVERAGE CATCH: 31.78 mL

TOTAL CATCH IN LOWER QUARTER: 191 mL AVERAGE CATCH IN LOWER QUARTER: 23.88 mL

<u>Calculate Distribution Uniformity (DU)</u> <u>Calculate Precipitation Rate (PR)</u>

 $\begin{array}{ll} DULQ & (\underline{Average\ Catch\ in\ Lower\ Quarter}) & PR_{net} = \underline{3.66\ x\ V_{avg}} \\ & (Average\ Catch\ Overall\) & t_R\ x\ AcD \\ & = (\underline{23.88\ mL}) & = \underline{3.66\ x\ (31.78\ mL)} \\ & = (\underline{31.78\ mL}) & (\underline{5\ min})\ x\ (\underline{16.5\ in.2}) \\ & = 0.75 & \end{array}$

= 1.41 in./h

DISTRIBUTION UNIFORMITY (DU) = 0.75 **PRECIPITATION RATE (PRnet)** = 1.41 in./h

GREEN WORKSHEET #5 – SCHEDULE

Site Name/Location: Coachella Valley Area Golf Course/#12 Green

Audit Date: <u>5/26/2016</u> **Candidate ID #:** <u>69674</u>

Controller No: 603 Station No: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Reference Period: 1 day

CIMIS Station 25 Rancho Mirage Year ETo 71.6" May ETo 8.7"

ITEM	SOURCE		VALUE	UNIT OF FUNCTION
I. Plant Water Requirement				
A. Plant Material	Audit		WST	Grass species
B. Reference Period	Judgment		1	days
C. Reference ETo	Various sources		0.28	inches of water
D. Crop Coefficient (Kc)	Various sources		0.60	species factor
E. Microclimate Facto (Kmc)	Judgment		1.0	factor
F. Plant Water Requirement (PWR)	Kc x Kmc x ETo	CxDxE	0.17	inches of water
II. Sprinkler Performance		•		_
G. Precipitation Rate (PR)	Audit		1.41	inches per hour
H. Distribution Uniformity (DUlq)	Audit		0.75	percent
III. Soil Reservoir			•	
I. Soil Type	Audit		Fine Sand	classification
J. Infiltration Rate	Table		1.25	inches per hour
K. Available Water (AW)	Table		0.06	inches per inch
L. Root Zone (RZ)	Audit		3	inches
M. Plant Available Water (PAW)	AW x RZ		0.18	inches
N. Managed Allowable Depletion (MAD	Judgment		0.60	percent in decimal
O. Allowable Depletion (AD)	PAW x (MAD/100)		0.11	inches
IV. Scheduling – Run Time			•	
P. Run Time Multiplier (RTM)	Table		1.18	factor
Q. Base Run Time (RTb)	60 x (PWR/PR)		7	minutes
R. Adjusted Run Time (RT)	RTb x RTM		8	minutes
S. Maximum Run Time per Cycle (CRT)	(I/PR) x 60		53	minutes
V. Scheduling - Programming				
T. Irrigation Days per Period*	PWR/AD		1	days (round up)
U. Minutes per Irrigation Day*	RT/Irr. Days		8	minutes (round off)
V. Days Between Irrigation Events*	Ref Period/Irr. Days		1	days (round down)
W. Number of Cycle Starts*	Min per Day/Cycle RT		1	cycles (round up)
X. Minutes per Cycle*	Min per Day/Cycle Starts		8	minutes (round down)

^{*}Must be expressed as an integer.

PROCEDURAL STEPS FOR A WATER AUDIT CONDUCTED BY WBA STAFF

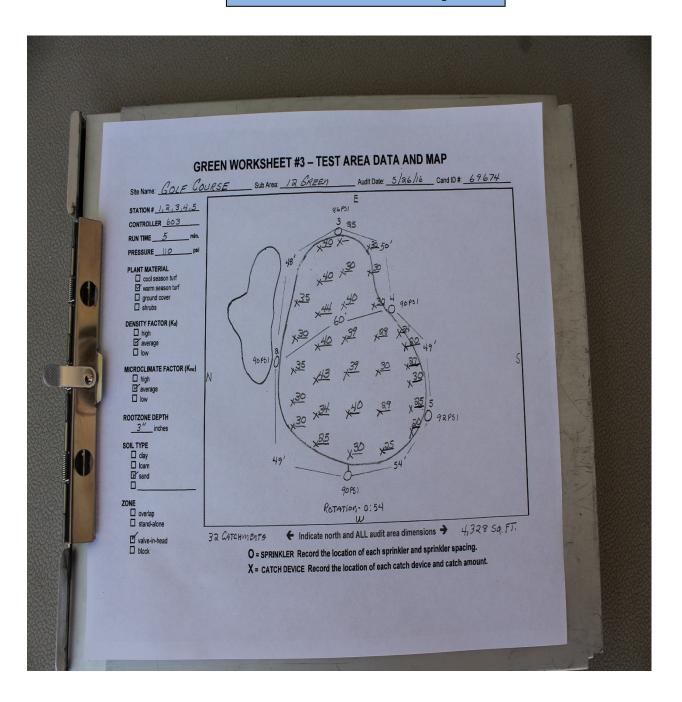
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		Station	Data									
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2 didata ID# 69674		Shee			100000000000000000000000000000000000000	_(use addition						
Site inspection is only necessal sprinkler problem or check ma	ry on the						efects fo	or each				
Controller Identification	W5	T: WA	em SE		1 /URI	-						
Station Number:	1	2 3	4	5								
Turfgrass Type		WST WS										
Sprinkler Type ROTARY	ROTARY A	POTARY ROTAR	Y ROTARY	ROTARY								
Observed Problems:												
Valve Malfunctions			-									
Low Pressure			+									
High Pressure Tilted Sprinklers										100		
Spray Deflection												
Sunken Sprinklers												
Plugged Equipment												
Arc Misalignment												
Low Sprinkler Drainage												
Leaky Seals or Fittings												
Lateral or Drip Line Leaks												
Missing or Broken Heads										- BE		
Slow Drainage or Ponding										100		
										1		
Compaction/Thatch/Runoff		0				#	1-1	1/		1		
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Test Area Data and Map – Controller and Point of Connection Information

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Site Name GOLF Co		Audit Date		1		
Candidate ID# 69674		Sheet #/ of/_	(use additional sheets if needed)			, .
Central Controlyes	no	Controller Make & Model: RAINBIRD PAR	+ F.S			
Features:						
Number of stations 72	Minimum run time Cycles per	/ min. Maxim run tir	ns per 70 min			
programs 8 Days per week 7	program Maximum hou per day	/⊋ progra ors ⊇4 Calen	dar period 7 DAYS OR VARIABLE			
Skip day YES	Cycle soak	723	nt adjust 0 - 200%			
Other controller features	SOAK-PUN	np Profiting - FLOM	ANAGER - SMART PUR	np		
List sensors installed/capabilities	VEATHER	STATION - RAIL	SENSOR			
Current Schedule Inform Program Start Time(s)	nation (for zone	es being audited only; use additi	Station			
A 4:00 A.M	MTWTHFSS	acyces/ismin	J 5 min			
A TIMEFOR			3			
A BREENS.FLO A MANAGER			5			
Completes THE (a) 5 min. CYCLE	5.					
POC Pressure Data Dynamic pressure at source: _/_	osi Dyn	amic pressure at test area _/		7:39AM		
Static pressure at source://6		tic pressure at test area//		y 7:36 A.M.		
Notes: Backflow device, pump	etation regulato	Y				
Notes: Backflow device, pump	FLOW TR	PUMPS (1) 25	FREQUENCY OF	Pump_		
(4) 75 HP BO	DSTER F	umps (1) a.	1110000			
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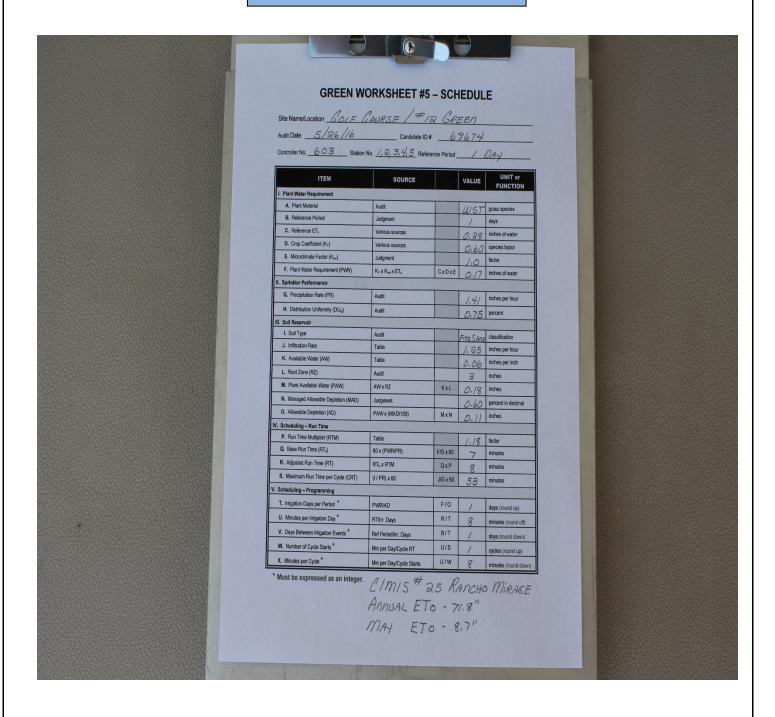
Test Area Data and Map



DU and PR Calculations

GREEN WORKSHEET #4 – DU AND PR CALCULATIONS	
Site Name/Location Gar Course 1#18 GREEN	
Audit Date	
All values and calculations must be completed on this page; auditing software is not acceptable for use in determining these values.	
Run time (ta):min. Catchment Type: TEXAS A+IN Device Area (Aco):6.5sq. in.	
1) Record ALL catch device values 2) circle ALL values used to calculate lower quarter	
Can #1 30 #11 40 #21 30 #31 60 #41 #51 #61 Can #2 30 #12 40 #22 30 #32 64 #42 #52 #62 Can #3 35 #13 30 #23 36 #33 #43 #53 #63 Can #4 30 #14 40 #24 30 #34 #44 #54 #64 Can #5 35 #15 39 #25 30 #35 #45 #55 #65 Can #6 65 #66 Can #7 34 #17 40 #27 60 #37 #47 #57 #67 Can #8 43 #18 30 #28 65 #38 #48 #58 #68 Can #9 40 #19 65 #29 30 #39 #49 #59 #69 Can #10 44 #20 65 #30 \$27 #40 #50 #60 #70	
TOTAL CATCH:/_O_/mL AVERAGE CATCH:mL TOTAL CATCH	
Calculate Distribution Uniformity (DU) Calculate Precipitation Rate (PR)	
$\begin{aligned} \text{DU}_{\text{LQ}} &= \left(\frac{\text{Average Catch in Lower Quarter}}{\text{Average Catch Overall}} \right) & \text{PR}_{\text{net}} &= \frac{3.66 \times \text{V}_{\text{avg}}}{\text{t}_{\text{R}} \times \text{A}_{\text{CD}}} \\ &= \left(\frac{3.5 \text{ym} \text{L}}{31.78 \text{mL}} \right) \\ &= \underbrace{-0.75} \end{aligned} \\ &= \frac{3.66 \times (\underline{\text{mL}})}{(\underline{5} \text{min}) \times (\underline{\text{ls}} \underline{5} \text{in}.^2)} \end{aligned}$	
$= \underline{/.4/} \text{ in./h}$ DISTRIBUTION UNIFORMITY (DU) = $\underline{O.75}$ PRECIPITATION RATE (PRox) = $\underline{/.4/}$ in./h	

Schedule



Measuring Area for Placement of Catch Cans





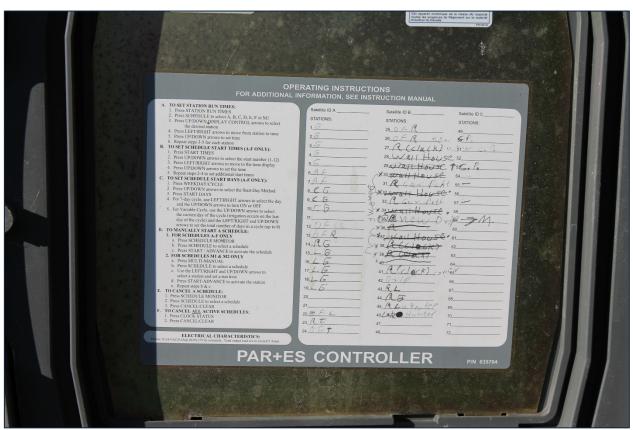
Placement of catch cans





Controllers





Irrigation





Measuring catch can water









< 0.06

COMPREHENSIVE SOIL ANALYSIS

Owner Description County ID	Half Sat %	рН	ECe	NO ₃ -N ppm	NH ₄ -N ppm	PO ₄ -P ppm	K ppm	Ca ppm	Mg ppm	Cu ppm	Zn ppm	Mn ppm	Fe ppm	Organic	
Sample Description - Sample ID	TEC	Qual Lime	dS/m		Sufficiency Factors							% dry wt.	Lub No.		
Site Soil	28	6.9	4.7	116	6	25	199	1820	145	2.0	6.2	3	112		11449
	102	None	1.7	2	2.2	0.8	1.1	1.1	0.6	1.5	1.2	0.3	2.2		11449

Saturation Extract Values				Gravel %		Percent of Sample Passing 2 mm Screen									
Ca	Mg	Na	K	В	SO ₄	SAR			., .	Sand Mad to Vary Fire		Silt Clay		USDA Soil Classification	Lab No.
meq/L	meq/L	meq/L	meq/L	ppm	meq/L		Coarse 5 - 12	Fine 2 - 5	Very Coarse 1 - 2	Coarse 0.5 - 1	Med. to Very Fine 0.05 - 0.5	.00205	0002		
11.1	2.6	4.0	0.8	0.08	4.3	1.5	0	0.4	1.6	9.3	66	16.9	6.1	Sandy Loam	11449

Infiltration Rate = .37 inches/hour

Very Slow

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

Sufficiency factor (1.0=sufficient for average crop) below each nutrient value. N factor based on 200 ppm constant feed. SAR = Sodium adsorption ratio. Half Saturation %=approx field moisture capacity. Nitrogen(N), Potassium(K), Calcium(Ca) and Magnesium(Mg) by sodium chloride extraction. Phosphorus(P) by sodium bicarbonate extraction. Copper(Cu), Zinc(Zn), Manganese(Mn) & Iron(Fe) by DTPA extraction. Sat. ext. method for salinity (ECe as dS/m),Boron (B), Sulfate(SO 4), Sodium(Na). Gravel fraction expressed as percent by weight of oven-dried sample passing a 12mm(1/2 inch) sieve. Particle sizes in millimeters. Organic percentage determined by Walkley-Black or Loss on Ignition.

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IRRIGATION WATER



Sample ld : Water

CATIONS		mg/L	meq/L
Sodium	Na	41	1.78
Calcium	Са	97	4.84
Magnesium	Mg	11	0.91
Potassium	K	8	0.20
Ammonium	NH ₄	0	0.00
Ammonium	NH ₄ - N	0	
		•	•

SUM OF CATIONS	7.73

ANIONS		mg/L	meq/L
Chloride	CI	45	1.27
0.15.4	SO ₄	88	1.83
Sulfate	S	29	
Bicarbonate	HCO₃	158	2.59
Carbonate	CO ₃	17	0.28
Nitrate	NO ₃	111	1.79
Miliale	NO ₃ - N	25	
Dhaaabata	PO ₄	2	0.06
Phosphate	Р	1	
			•
SUM OF ANION	S		7.82

Hydrogen Ion Activity	рН	7.7	
Equilibrium Reaction	рНс	6.18	
Electrical Conductivity	ECw	0.74	dS/m
Total Dissolved Solids	TDS	474	mg/L
Adj Na Adsorption Ratio	SARadj	1.25	
Sodium Adsorption Ratio	SAR	1.05	

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

Copper	Cu	0.05 mg/L
Zinc	Zn	0.05 mg/L
Manganese	Mn	0.01 mg/L
Iron	Fe	0.31 mg/L
Boron	В	0.10 mg/L
Fluoride	F	0.18 mg/L
Aluminum	Al	0.44 mg/L
Molybdenum	Мо	0.05 mg/L

meq/L - milliequivalents per liter



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Sample Id: Water

WATER ANALYSIS INTERPRETATION, AGRICULTURAL

		Test Result	Degree of Restriction on Use							
Potential Problem	Units		Criteria			Graphical Results				
			None	Slight to Moderate	Severe	None	Slight to Moderate	Severe		
Salinity										
ECw ¹	dS/m	0.74	< 0.7	0.7 - 3	> 3					
Specific Ion Toxicity										
Sodium (Na) ¹										
Surface irrigation	SARadj	1.25	< 3	3 - 9	> 9					
Sprinkler irrigation ²	meq/L	1.78	< 3	3 - 6	> 6					
Chloride (CI) ¹										
Surface irrigation	meq/L	1.27	< 4	4 - 10	> 10					
Sprinkler irrigation ²	meq/L	1.27	< 3	3 - 5	> 5					
Boron (B) ¹	mg/L	0.10	< 0.7	0.7 - 3	> 3					
Fluoride (F) ¹	mg/L	0.18	< 1	1 - 5	> 5					
Clogging of Drip Systems or Unsightly Residues										
Iron (Fe) ³	mg/L	0.31	< 0.3	0.3 - 1.5	> 1.5					
Manganese (Mn) ³	mg/L	0.01	< 0.2	0.2 - 1.5	> 1.5	1				
pH - pHc ⁴		1.52	<= 0	> 0						
Reduced Water Infiltration ⁵ (Based on ECw and SAR values)		1.69	< 4	4 - 10	> 10					
Alkalinity Bicarbonate (HCO3) ⁶	meg/L	2.59	< 2	2 - 8.5	> 8.5					
Dicarponate (nCO3)	meq/L	2.59	\ \ \ \	2 - 0.0	<i>-</i> 0.0					
Potential Low Nutrient Issues (Soilless media) ⁷										
Sulfur	mg/L	29	> 48	48 - 20	< 20					
Magnesium	mg/L	11	> 10	10 - 4	< 4					
Boron	mg/L	0.10	> 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.

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