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San Bernardino County*

California Friendly Landscaping Update August 08



Water Usage/Grass update #2

Water usage for the month of August is:

38781 gals/ Grass & Planters

The **RTF** is watered 9.5 mins/night every days,

SuperiorPlus is watered 10 mins/night.

Marathon I is watered 11 mins/night.

Bonsai & Marathon III are watered 10.5 mins/night

Turf	Water Hrs/Month	Water Gals/Month
RTF	4.9	4558.4
Superior	5.1	4897.2
Marathon I	5.6	5236
Bonsai	6.23	5759.6
Marathon III	6.23	5759.6

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Around the Facilities Garden

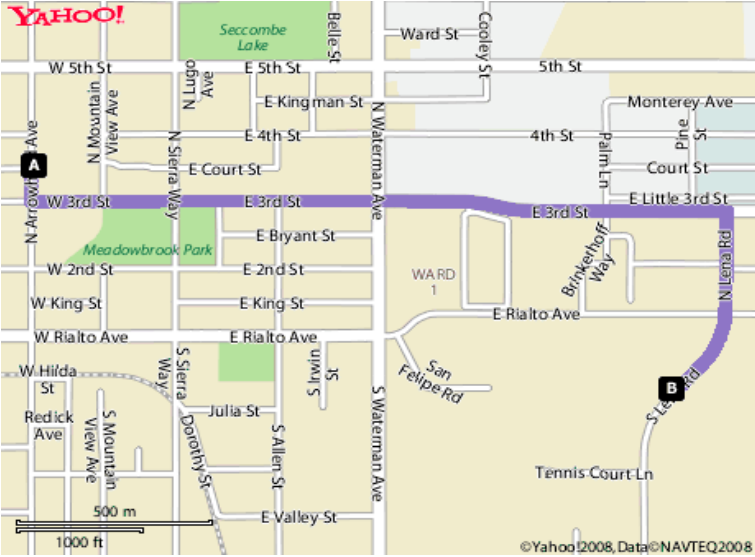
Turf Update

The **RTF** turf, has again used less water than the other grass plots during month of August; all the grass plots are looking good due to the coolness of the weather we had this month.

RTF is the middle plot of the three plots along Lena Road



Directions to the California Friendly Demonstration Garden



- From the Government Center:
- Southbound N. Arrowhead Blvd
 - East on W. 3rd St.
 - South on N. Lena Rd.
 - Arrive at Demonstration Garden
 - Facilities Management Dept.
 - 200 South Lena Rd.

Facilities Management Department Office Hours 8:00 am to 5:00 pm M-F

We Look Forward To Seeing You.

Climate Zones

Sunset & USDA Zones

What is the difference between USDA & Sunset climate zones?

USDA Zones

In the 1960's the US Department of Agriculture began compiling information about weather records throughout the U.S. in order to show the average coldest temperatures for each region. They transformed these records into various zones of plant hardiness, and created a map showing each zone. In 1990, the USDA map was updated to create 11 USDA plant hardiness zones.

Sunset Zones

Sunset Magazine created their own 24-zone climate system over 40 years ago. Sunset zones are more precise than USDA zones because they consider many other factors besides a region's average cold temperature, including: summer highs, elevations, proximity to mountains or coasts, rainfall, humidity, aridity, and growing seasons. These zones are specifically for the western region of the U.S.

Sunset Zones for San Bernardino County

San Bernardino	sunset zone	18
Chino/Ontario/Redlands	sunset zone	18
Baker/Barstow	sunset zone	11
Victorville/Hesperia	sunset zone	10
Needles	sunset zone	13
Twenty nine Palms	sunset zone	11
Big Bear	sunset zone	2B

Note that Sunset Climate Zones are used as guidelines for determining which plants may thrive in a given area. Other factors such as microclimates and plant location must also be considered.

ZONE 18. Hilltops and Valley Floors of Interior Southern California

Growing season: mid-Mar. through late Nov. Summers are hot and dry; rain comes in winter, when lows reach 28 degrees to 10 degrees F/-2 degrees to -12 degrees C. Plants from the Mediterranean and Near Eastern regions thrive here.

Plant from the Garden

Salvia clevelandii “Winnifred Gilman”



• Drought tolerant ‘Winnifred Gilman’ is more compact (3ft high and wide), with dark red flower stems and calyx tubes, dark violet-blue flowers. Wrinkled, toothed grey-green leaves to 2 in. long are elliptical or lance-shaped, deliciously fragrant. Foliage makes a refreshing tea and is also used as a preservative in potpourri.
• (source: Sunset Western Garden Book)

• Requires: Full sun. Little to moderate water.
• Sunset zones 8, 9 12-24

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