

Fact Sheet on Irrigation Service Application Requirements

Introduction

In an effort to better serve irrigation customers, the District has developed an Irrigation Reduction Information System (IRIS) to notify irrigation customers of appropriate amounts of water to use during actual billing periods.

Although the new landscape has not been installed at the time of water service application, any customer who applies for an irrigation service will be required to provide information on how much landscaping will be irrigated by the new water meter.

The IRIS system provides information on the water bill in the consumption area as to how much water should have been used during the billing period. The actual consumption is also provided so that the customer can compare how much water they used with how much was needed based on landscape area and current weather.

The Water Conservation Division has experts available to help customers manage landscape water use and can provide details on other services and programs available to District customers. Please call the Water Conservation Division for more information at 1-866-40-EBMUD or 1-866-403-2683.

Definitions for Irrigation Service Information Requirements

Grass: total area in square feet of irrigated grass or lawn served by the water meter being applied for.

Shrubs/Ground Cover (GC): total area in square feet of irrigated shrubs and groundcover (GC) if separate. If shrubs and groundcover are mixed in the same area give one total.

Trees: total area in square feet for all irrigated trees not included in the above areas.

Water Features: total area in square feet for all open bodies of water on site, ie. pools, ponds, fountains.

Non-irrigated area: total area in square feet for all other areas including buildings and paving.

Total area: total of the above areas, which should equal the total property area of the site the new water meter will be serving.