

Proposed Water Rules for 2013

Water conservation is important in the park. The park is a semi-wilderness park and not intended as a place for showcase lawns. Limited watering should be done to insure that grasses do not die. The use of automated sprinkling systems are discouraged as there may be extended periods of time when owners are not on site. This has resulted in malfunctioning of these systems and unnecessary wasting of water and increased electrical costs in pumping water has occurred. Our water is provided from a deep well and a 40,000 gallon water tank on the property. Pumping costs can be quite high. To help minimize these costs and keep our maintenance fees reasonable, we have established the following water rules based on information from the Agriculture & Extension Office:

- Mow grass to a height of between 3" to 3 1/2". This increases shade and encourages deeper rooting and reduces evaporation.
- Water only once every 5 – 7 days (if no rain). Watering thoroughly but infrequently encourages deeper rooting, increases soil moisture reservoir and reduces the number of weeds. A rule of thumb is that if footprints remain in the grass for an extended period after walking on the grass – water is required.
- If you use automatic sprinklers, water only between 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. for 20 minutes each set once a week.
- If you use hand moved sprinklers, water only between the hours of 8 p.m. to midnight for 20 minutes each set once a week.
- If you are at the park during the week, **do not** water on weekends
- If violations of these watering rules occur, the board will arrange to have sprinklers reset to times that conform to the rule.

DID YOU KNOW: Watering early in the morning reduces evaporation and reduces water usage up to 40%. Most people apply two times the amount of water needed.

Water to RV's

When you are not in the park, please turn off the water to your RV's. These lines are pressurized from the faucet to your RV. Continued pressure on the line without using the water occasionally in the RV, causes pressure to build and hoses can split which wastes water.