

Be Prairie-Smart with a Smart Controller Rebate!

For homeowners who have a lawn - PWMD offers a Smart-Controller or Rain Sensor Rebate!

For details and an application visit:

pueblowestmetro.com/524/Smart-Controller-or-Rain-Sensor-Rebate



PRAIRIE-SMART Watering

Benefits of Cycle & Soak

Irrigation Tips:



Only water your lawn during the cooler times of the day. After 7pm and before 7am



No watering between the hours of 10am - 6pm. Water is lost to evaporation and wind.



Don't waste water. Check your sprinklers for leaks, over-spray & misting.



Repair leaks within 10 days.

Pause irrigation system during or after rain.

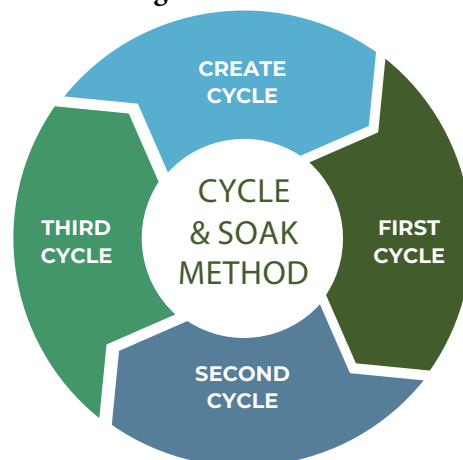


Hand-water with shut-off nozzle or use a drip system for trees and shrubs.

CYCLE: Start by turning on the sprinklers in a zone you want to evaluate and begin timing. When you see excess water pooling or running off, turn sprinklers off and take note of how long the sprinklers ran. This is the amount of water, within that zone, your grass will absorb during a run cycle. Repeat for each zone.

SOAK: Waiting an hour in between gives water time to sink into the ground and be absorbed. *Example - Program a zone for 8 minutes, wait an hour and set the next start time for 8 min and/or a third start time. A three cycle run would give you 24 min of watering time.

3. **The third cycle-** Additional absorption fills the root zone and promotes a healthier landscape.



1. **The first cycle-** Breaks the soil's surface tension, allowing water to penetrate.

2. **The second cycle -** Is able to be absorbed deeper into the soil, reaching the roots.

For more conservation information:

<https://pueblowestmetro.com/494/Prairie-Smart-Watering>

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