**Introduction**

Phoenix area turf managers now have access to FREE turf water use information via fax, email or the Internet. This free service is provided by the Arizona Meteorological Network (AZMET) which generates turf water use estimates using data collected from a network of automated weather stations located in the Phoenix area.

Signing up for this free service is as easy as 1) selecting a report format and 2) selecting the delivery method that best fits your operation. This brochure provides the details you need to sign up today.

**Select a Format**

Information on turf water use is available in two ready-to-use formats. Select the format that best fits your needs. The simple *Lawn Watering Guide* (Fig. 1) format provides an estimate of water use over the previous 3 days for acceptable (i.e. parks & lawns) quality turf grown in the Phoenix area.

*Phoenix Area Lawn Watering Guide  March 9, 1998*

![Image of Phoenix Area Lawn Watering Guide](image)

**.33” is needed on your ryegrass if you watered 3 days ago, unless it has rained.**

Fig. 1. Basic Lawn Watering Guide.

The second more detailed report format, known as *The Phoenix Area Turf Water Use Report* (Fig. 2), provides location-specific water use information for the past 1, 3 and 7 days for acceptable and high maintenance turfs (golf courses and sports fields). This report format also provides reference evapotranspiration (ETo) and precipitation for the past 1, 3 and 7 days.

**Select a Delivery Method**

Lawn Watering Guides and Phoenix Area Turf Water Use Reports are available via the Internet, e-mail or automatic fax transfer. Select the delivery system that best suits your needs.

**Internet Access**

Internet access is provided through the Phoenix Area Turf Water Management Web Page (Fig. 3). Simply log on to the Internet via your Internet Service Provider and enter the following URL address:

http://ag.arizona.edu/azmet/phxturf.html

To view either report format, use the computer mouse to place the cursor over the appropriate labeled box and then click the mouse. Please note that the Phoenix Area Turf Water Management Web Page also provides access to additional information on weather, turf culture and irrigation management.
E-mail & Fax Delivery
Lawn Watering Guides and Phoenix Area Turf Water Use Reports will be delivered free of charge via e-mail or fax by contacting AZMET. To initiate service, simply send your name, address, employer/business affiliation, desired report format and e-mail address or fax number to AZMET. Please contact AZMET by e-mail, fax or mail using:

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Background Information
Turf water use estimates are provided by the Arizona Meteorological Network (AZMET). AZMET operates automated weather stations in the Phoenix Area for the purpose of providing turf water management information. Water use estimates are developed by applying appropriate turf crop coefficients to daily values of reference evapotranspiration (ETo). AZMET ETo values are generated using a modified version of the Penman Equation.

Turf water use values provided by this service represent gross daily evapotranspiration (ET) rates for turf. The amount of irrigation required may be more or less than the ET indicated due to rainfall and/or irrigation system nonuniformity and efficiency.

PHOENIX AREA AZMET WEATHER STATIONS

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