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“WHAT’S GROWING ON”

The latest news on landscape care from the experts at JLS.

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2nd Wettest June for Denver Area

According to National Weather Service, the Denver area had its second wettest June since they started recording rain-fall in 1892, with 4.86 inches of rain. The normal precipitation for June is 1.56 inches. This monthly total was surpassed in one day, on June 23, which also broke the daily rain-fall record of .69 inch set in 1906.

Source:

<http://www.crh.noaa.gov/den/cli/climo.php>

Does your field need mowed?

After such a wet spring, the last thing on some of our minds is fire danger. But the rapidly increasing heat and dry weather will bring us into fire season rapidly. Maintaining the native grass areas of your properties is essential. Keep turf grasses mowed 3-1/2 inches or lower when they are close to structures such as the buildings, garages, shrubs and trees. Grasses should never exceed 8 inches in height elsewhere on the property. Mowing grasses in the fall and again prior to spring greenup will also reduce the fuel. “Given Colorado’s extremely variable weather, wildfires can occur any time of the year.” Fire danger isn’t the only reason to maintain your turf and native areas, another benefit of maintenance is controlling rodent populations. Call JLS for information & pricing for field mowing.

Source:

<http://www.ext.colostate.edu/pubs/natres/06303.html>

Tip for Sustainability:

Sustainable landscaping means using water appropriately and avoiding waste. An estimated 50 percent of water used outdoors is wasted. The vast majority of this water is from irrigation systems that are applying more water than needed, operating in the rain or using the old scheduling technique of “set it and forget it.” (*Brian Vinchesi, Lawn & Landscape, 7/10/2009*)

Rain sensors and ET controllers can be installed on both residential and commercial irrigation systems.



- Rain sensors are a device that shuts sprinklers off in a storm and keeps them off, automatically compensating for the amount of rainfall that occurred. After the sensors dries it automatically resets without affecting the programming.
- ET (*EvapoTranspiration*) controllers are irrigation controllers which use some method of weather based adjustment of irrigation. These adjusting methods include: use of historical monthly averages of ET, broadcasting of ET measurements, and use of on-site sensors to track ET. ET measures water losses from the landscape. Call JLS for more information on saving water.

Company News

JLS is proud to announce that owner and President, John Reffel III has become a LEED, *Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design*, Accredited Professional. LEED Accredited Professionals (LEED APs) have demonstrated a thorough understanding of green building practices and principles.

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