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Hello, all,

The days are great and the nights are getting cooler. Hopefully, we will not go directly into Winter as we have in the past. There are several suggestions we might offer to keep your grounds/lawns looking good throughout the Fall and ensure that they look as they should, come Spring:

Sprinklers:

1. Reduce the number of days and the duration of each watering as the season progresses.
2. Schedule a sprinkler shutdown appointment to ensure that your sprinklers are PROPERLY blown out and protected from the ravages of Utah's freezing Winters, avoiding costly repairs in the Spring. **We are scheduling shutdowns from October 12th to the 26th.** It would be best to have someone at home if you have an interior shutoff valve and drain.
3. If you choose not to have us do the shutdown, make sure that the company uses a COMMERCIAL compressor to deliver a **high volume of air, at the recommended pressure**. Small home compressors do the opposite and may damage the system.

Aeration: Fall is the best time to aerate and fertilize. Make sure that the company which does your aeration is licensed and insured. Get a contact name and number in case of sprinkler head damage. We are licensed and insured and will flag heads prior to aerating. September/early October is ideal for fertilization.

Weed control: Apply a commercial or organic fertilizer (we offer this alternative to chemical applications, as well) before the first frost, if possible. Beds should get a healthy dose of a Preen-like substance, as well, to prevent weed growth.

Pruning: Fall is the best time to prune and trim bushes. Wait for the leaves to fall from the bushes and trees.

Clean-up: We offer clean up services if raking and pruning isn't your idea of spending your free time instead of getting out and enjoying the foliage and crisp days.

We'll be happy to schedule any services you may desire. If you have already scheduled your services, "Thank you" and refer only to those sections of this note which may apply.

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