

December 2019 Newsletter

Important News & Reminders

Please update your contact info with us! In the case of an emergency we want to make sure we can reach you ⁽ⁱ⁾ The SLUD Office will be closed December 24th & 25th in observance of the holidays.

Upcoming Meetings

Our next board meeting is on Monday, December 16th @ 7:30 p.m. in the Seis Lagos Clubhouse, 224 Seis Lagos Trail. Everyone is invited!

BOARD UPDATES

At our November meeting, the board discussed progress in the wastewater and sewer plants and approved adding a credit card machine at the office.

This month, we will be acting on polices in our Rates & Rules. Please contact our office to add other items to the Agenda!

To stay informed with our future meetings (Agendas) or to read the speaker notes and summaries from previous meetings (Minutes), visit our website at <u>www.slud.us</u>

Office Information



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Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.



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TURF GRASS TIPS FOR A BETTER YARD

- Most lawns are overwatered, often twice as much as needed. Test your lawn by stepping on a patch of grass; if it springs back, it doesn't need water. Adjust your controllers periodically as weather conditions change.
- Don't scalp when you mow A thick lawn retains moisture. Keep your mower set between 2-3 inches and remove no more than one-third of the blade each time you mow. The #I solution to weed control is not putting poisons in the soil, but a thick, healthy lawn that crowds out nature from replanting her weed seeds.
- Each year spread 1/2 1 inch of fine compost on your lawn and water in. The compost will sift into the soil over time and amend it, resulting in better water retention and healthier soil.
- Grow water-conserving turf grass species, such as a *hybrid* Bermuda grass (common Bermuda is very invasive), Zoysia or Buffalo grass, which are more drought-tolerant than St. Augustine but need more sun. Utilizing more than one type of grass on your property may be helpful, depending on how much sun and shade is in a particular area.
- Consider removing grass from areas where it does not do well, and planting with groundcover suited for that area. Install edging around trees and plant groundcover inside, watering through drip irrigation. Some groundcovers will give you color with flowers.

These are a few tips for reducing the amount of water your landscape needs. Reducing the water it requires will reduce your water bill!



SWIMMING POOL INSTALLATION AND CONSTRUCTION REMINDER:

If you have installed a swimming pool within the past 3 years and did not contact SLUD prior to construction, please contact our office to schedule an inspection. You are subject to disconnection of service and your meter pulled out of the ground. We require that you complete a Contractor Permit & Deposit Agreement at the business office prior to any construction commencing. A deposit of \$2,000.00 is required (refundable "if" the road is not damaged), as well as a non-refundable inspection fee of \$60.00

Utilization of concrete trucks, eighteen (18) wheelers, dump trucks or heavy equipment require a Contractor Permit & Deposit Agreement and a deposit of \$2,000.00 prior to commencing any work. Roads will be inspected prior to any work commencing and a final inspection of the road will be assessed upon completion of your project. If there is no damage to the road, a check will be issued by SLUD for a full return of the deposit. Please allow no less than seven (7) business days for your refund check to be processed.

<u>If any work proceeds without meeting these requirements, a non-refundable charge of \$3,000.00</u> be issued (individual charge of \$3,000.00 per lot if multiple lots). This information may be found in the Rates & Rules, Sections 6.8. and 5.1.