

# PLEASE HELP WITH WATERING THE NEW HYDROSEEDED AREAS

<u>Notice to Residents</u> Lawn Restoration McKownville Storm and Water Project August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Dear Resident:

We are happy to report as a follow-up to our previous notice on August 3<sup>rd</sup> that we are nearing completion with the new hydroseeding work and grass has already started to sprout in many of the areas. Thank you to all of the residents that have been helping with watering these areas!

If you have not been watering, we are writing to again ask you for your help in watering the areas that have been hydroseeded on your property. You may have noticed that we have been watering these areas in the evenings with our water truck and Mazurowski has been watering with their trailer as well. We are making our best effort with this but please understand that the lawn restoration will have a much better chance of success with more regular watering given the dry weather we have been having, especially with the hotter days coming up again in the forecast, particularly this weekend.

We recommend watering larger areas with lawn sprinklers for 15 to 20 minutes to get a more thorough soaking while avoiding puddling or washing the hydroseed. It is ideal to keep the mulch moist at all times. This may take 2 to 3 times watering per day during more temperate days and 3 to 4 times per day on hot sunny days. Smaller patches and areas can be done by hand spraying as long as it soaks it enough to keep the mulch moist throughout the day.

Watering can be reduced if we get some wet and cooler weather accordingly and can also be reduced after the first mowing (once the grass is 3" to 4" high).

We are again including on the reverse side of this notice "Care and Watering of Your New Hydroseeded Lawn" by Mazurowski Enterprises for complete recommendations.

We again sincerely apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience and help in this matter.

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# Care and Watering of Your Hydroseeded Lawn

### Watering Practices

During the establishment phase, once or twice a day watering is usually appropriate during April and May; however, the weather conditions may require more or less water. On hot summer days, three or four watering's per day will be required. Avoid puddling and washing but water thoroughly. **Keep mulch moist.** 

The second phase of the watering program begins after the first mowing (usually in about 4 weeks). Reduce the frequency of watering to twice a week. In the hot summer months three times a week is required. Also reduce or discontinue watering during wet and/or cool periods.

#### Mowing

A new law should be mowed as soon as the grass blades are 3" to 4" high. Delaying the first cutting encourages weed growth and allows long grass blades to bend over, causing a shabby appearance. Mowing plays a vital role in controlling weeds, giving the grass the opportunity to "choke out the weeds". Subsequent mowing should be done every week and the blades of the mower should always be kept sharp. Sharp blades prevent bruised and torn grass blades. Bruised or damaged grass invites grass disease and results in unsightly brown spots.

If the grass gets too tall before it is mowed, raise the mower. Mowing young, tall grass too short can kill the grass. A good rule of thumb is to never mow off more than one-third of the grass blades during any one cutting.

### **Initial Fertilizing Program**

The new grass will need a strong application of balanced fertilizer in approximately 4 weeks and again 4 weeks later. Apply fertilizer on the lawn area when it is dry and then water it thoroughly. Use a standard balanced fertilizer available at almost any lawn supply store. Examples include the following: 10-10-10 13-13-13 10-20-10 12-12-12 14-14-14 12-24-12 Apply at rates recommended on the bag. And be sure to water thoroughly immediately after applying the fertilizer.

# DO NOT USE WEED KILLER ON A NEW LAWN!!!

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