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## Ways to Reduce your Ecological Footprint in the Landscape: A QUALITY IRRIGATION SYSTEM



If you are considering installing an irrigation system or currently have one, consider the following options:

- A properly installed irrigation system has separate zones for lawn and shrub beds that should be further broken down into those areas that have shade or full sun exposure.
- Equipping your system with a rain sensor will help to conserve water by automatically shutting off your system when there is measurable rainfall.
- An irrigation system delivers your plants a consistent supply of water which helps establish and grow healthy, strong plants.
- Use drip irrigation instead of spray heads where appropriate.
- Water in the early mornings when evaporation rates are low.
- Most established shrub plantings need to be watered only two to three times per week in the summer.
- Using a quality compost mulch on all shrub and tree beds will help save water, too.
- Have an audit done with our Certified Irrigation Auditor at DeSantis Landscapes to learn how efficient your irrigation system is.

