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Time to put your lawn to bed

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Chances are your grass is growing sleepy, very sleepy. Grass goes dormant based on soil temperature, and in Big Bear that temperature is dropping as autumn approaches. Soil temperatures have dropped over six degrees in the last few weeks, down to 55 degrees, the temperature at which warm season grass will start to tuck in for a long winter nap. At this point it's a good idea to trim your watering schedule back to twice a week or shut it down for the winter. Don't forget to disconnect and drain drip lines and hoses when the temperature is forecast to drop below freezing.

The Big Bear Lake Department of Water (BBLDWP), reminds customers that all outdoor watering must be turned off by the end of October. Keep in mind you can save time, money and water by dialing it back, or even turning it off, much sooner than that. Outdoor irrigation includes but is not limited to drip systems, sprinklers, soaker hoses, and bubblers. If warm weather continues we encourage customers to use water from rain barrels or join the bucket brigade and collect water from the shower as you wait for it to warm.

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