#### **Meter Box Check**

- 1) Make sure you are not using water faucets off, not using dishwater or irrigation, etc.
- 2) Locate the Meter and the Main Valve inside the meter box.
- 3) Write down the meter read number, from left to right, or take a picture.
- 4) Wait 15 minutes, then write down the meter read number from left to right, or take a picture.
- 5) If the 2 numbers are different & the red flow indicator is moving, you might have a leak.

### **House Valve Check**

1) Isolate the leak by turning off the House Valve.

Repeat steps 3 & 4 in Meter Box Check, above.

If the numbers are different, the leak is before the house valve. Pipes A in diagram (blue) and/or Pipes C in diagram (yellow).

Proceed to Irrigation Valve Check, below.

If the numbers are the same, the leak is after the house valve. Pipes B in diagram (green).

Check your: toilets, faucets, water heater, air conditioning unit, and washer.

## **Irrigation Valve Check**

1) Isolate the leak by turning off the Irrigation Valve

Repeat steps 3 & 4 in Meter Box Check, above.

If the numbers are different, the leak is before the irrigation valve. Pipes A in diagram (blue).

If the numbers are the same, the leak is after the irrigation valve. Pipes C in diagram (yellow).

2) If the leak is in Pipes A (blue) or C (yellow): Walk the area.

Look for: wet spots, soft dirt, mossy and/or moldy spots, and spots greener than most.

## If you think your water use is high look for these culprits

1) Excess watering while irrigating 3) Faulty irrigation controller/settings

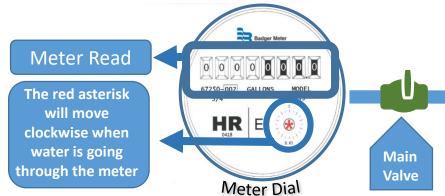
- 5) Faulty valves

2) Dripping hose bibs

- 4) Toilet gasket not closing
- 6) Dripping faucets

Turn on the irrigation at the controller for each zone, one zone at a time and walk the zone. Look for: Bubbling water from the ground, a sprinkler spraying brown water, differences in water pressure, missing/drippy sprinkler head, broken PVC pipes, and faulty/drippy irrigation valves.

\*\* If you cannot locate or repair a leak, please contact a plumber or landscaper. Helpful videos available at: https://fpud.watersmart.com.



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