

IMPORTANT NOTICE

To: All members with sprinkler systems and/or backflow prevention assembly devices

OVERVIEW:

The overwhelming majority of the homes and businesses located on our water system now have sprinkler systems. Few people realize that one of the most important components of these systems is the backflow prevention assembly device (typically a double check or RPZ valve). The purpose of the assemblies is to protect your family, neighbors, and the entire water system from possible contaminants that could enter the pipes through your irrigation system. All required backflow assemblies must be tested annually by a licensed tester.

WHAT THIS MEANS TO YOU?

If you **DO NOT** have a sprinkler system you may disregard this notice.

If you **DO HAVE** a sprinkler system, annual testing will be required.

SOLUTION:

Sardis personnel can test your backflow device. If the device fails the test, our staff will perform minor maintenance and retest. If the device still fails, a Sardis representative will notify the property owner who will then be responsible for having the device repaired or replaced and successfully tested prior to placing back in service. The charge for this service will be \$60.00 per year and will be added to the customer's bill at a rate of \$5.00 per month.

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO USE SARDIS FOR THIS SERVICE:

We are offering this plan as a service and convenience to our members but you are **not** required to use us to satisfy the testing requirements. All tests must be recorded on an official **Sardis-Lone Elm Test Report Form** which can be downloaded and printed from our website or you can pick one up at our office. The tests must be completed by a registered and licensed backflow prevention assembly tester.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO NEXT?

If you have a sprinkler system and choose to have Sardis perform this service, you need to do nothing. The \$5.00 monthly fee for this service will be added to your bill. If you choose to hire a licensed tester on your own, please notify us at 972-775-8566 or by email at Billing@sardiswater.com at your earliest convenience in order to avoid being charged for the test. Once we have been notified, you will have 60 days to submit the original test report to the main office.

More information can be obtained from our website @ www.sardiswater.com/cross-connectioncontrol or by calling our office.