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**Popular Annual Color Choices for Summer**

*Angelonia, Penta, Zinnia, Lantana, Periwinkles, Coleus, Portulaca, Purslane, Caladiums, Begonia, and Sweet Potato Vine*



**We would like to welcome a few of our newest clients to Precision!**

Addison Walk

Douglas Plaza Lincoln

Sherman Town Center

Lakepointe Crossing

Elevate Life Church

Austin Ridge at Lonestar

Nuclear Logistics

Millennium 505

Fairview Vista

NCX 9400

NCX 8080

DFW Raising Cane's



Check out our website at [www.precisiondallas.com](http://www.precisiondallas.com) for info & tips on native plants, shrubs & trees, etc.

# Precision Landscape Management

## Summer is Here and So Are Water Restrictions

Start looking for water restrictions to show up in your area. If you have an ET based controller you probably can avoid having to stay on your city's strict watering schedule. Our irrigation department and consultants will also be keeping up with any restrictions in your area to ensure that your property abides by the city ordinances. Here are some of the cities and their restrictions:

**Allen:** No watering between 10am -6 pm. Water 2 times per week.

**Frisco:** Watering prohibited from 5am-8am and from 10am-6pm. Water only 2 times per week (on trash day and the 2nd day is by map regulations).

**Plano:** Prohibited between 10am to 6pm.

**Richardson:** Conserve water between 10am-6pm.



**Irving/Las Colinas:** Voluntary; Odd addresses are Sun & Wed. Even addresses are Tues & Sat. No watering between 10am-6pm. Hand held garden hose, soaker hose, bucket or drip irrigation can be used at anytime.

**Southlake:** Prohibited between 10am-6pm. Watering allowed only Tuesday and Friday for non-residential properties.

**Addison:** No watering between 10am-8pm.

**Ft. Worth:** Prohibited between 5-8am & from 10-6pm daily; commercial properties can only water on Tuesday and Friday.

If you do not see your city and are interested in knowing if your house or property is on water restrictions please go to your city's website.



### AERATION & GRUB CONTROL

You should have received your annual aeration and grub control proposal. Aeration is great for better utilization of irrigation, by plants, establishment of stronger roots, and to reduce compaction of soil which makes the water and fertilizer more available to the grass. This equates to an overall water savings!

Grub control is used as preventative maintenance on your turf so you don't get the round circles in your lawn this growing season. The grubs eat the root systems of the grass and the turf dies since it can not get water or nutrients.

If you are interested in and/or need either of these services please contact your landscape consultant.

## Giving Back to Our Community

Friday, April 29th, a few of Precision's employees took part of their day to help with the BOMA Adopt-A-Block. The Dallas BOMA Group does a lot of Community Service Projects and this is just one of them. This specific homeowner is unable to care for his house and/or yard due to medical reasons and was recently widowed. According to the city's guidelines he had to improve the look of his house and yard to pass inspection. There were about 50 vendors, building managers, and engineers all volunteering for one great cause. Some of the work that needed to be done included: siding repairs, installation of two handrails, house painting, trim replacement, two screen door replacements, porch decking, shed painting and soffit repair, yard work and caulking.

## BUDGET SEASON

*Some things to keep in mind for your landscape budget:*

- Tree Pruning: cut out dead wood, crossing branches, thinning of trees, etc
- Upgrades /Enhancements/ Replacements
- Installation of ET Manager (Let your landscape consultant know if you want any information on this. It can save customers between 30-40% on their water bills)
- Grub Control and Aeration
- Extra insect treatment for heavy infestations of scale and aphids
- Irrigation Repairs: Don't forget to account for sudden breaks (possibly after a freeze)
- Mulching: Keeps your plants insulated, conserves water, and helps prevent weeds
- Add money for your color budget if you want to add larger plant material (i.e. Hibiscus) in your color displays
- Add money for the summer months water bill just in case we have a drought

*If you would like a landscape budget for your property, please contact your sales consultant.*

## Seasonal Spotlight

Angelonia is a low maintenance plant that adds dimension and color to the garden. It doesn't need to be dead headed or pinched back and tolerates the Texas heat. They are best planted in mid-spring or later, since they won't grow well until the temperatures warm up. Angelonia will tolerate wet conditions and a fair amount of drought once established. A bit of fertilizer or some compost in a garden bed is usually all that is needed for these plants to thrive. Due to their heat-loving nature they are one of the plants that can be planted even during the heat of mid-summer. Sometimes they are also called the Summer Snapdragon.

Go to [www.provenwinners.com](http://www.provenwinners.com) for more info.



### Angelonia At A Glance:

**Exposure:** Full Sun

**Water:** Average Watering, do not overwater

**Mature Size:** H: 18- 24in  
W: 12-14in

**Leaves:** Herbaceous leaves and clumping habit

**Bloom Period:** Late Spring/ Summer to Hard Frost, Continuous Bloomer

## Summer Home Gardening Tips

- Be on the lookout for Aphids, Scale and Powdery Mildew on your Crape Myrtles. Treat the pests with a systemic insecticide. For the Powdery Mildew, use a fungicide. Read the labels closely to make sure each product will control the problem.
- Home lawns will need a light, mid summer fertilization. Apply 1-1.5 pounds of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet of turf.
- Flowers will need to be fertilized once per month. Do not fertilize Caladiums. This tends to make them create more flowers, which decreases the number of new leaves.
- Remove flowers from Caladiums to make them send up more leaves. Make sure you are careful when taking the flower off as the sap will stain clothing.
- Remove spent flower heads (called dead heading) to encourage heavier blooming from most annual flowers, particularly Zinnias and Marigolds.
- Mulch all beds. This will help with water needs and cut down on weeds.

## Recipe Corner: Patriotic Berry Trifle by: Sunny Anderson

[foodnetwork.com](http://foodnetwork.com)

### Ingredients

- 1/4 cup plus 2/3 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
- 1/4 teaspoon almond extract
- 1 premade angel food cake, cut into 1-inch slices
- 1 pound cream cheese, at room temperature
- 2 cups heavy cream, at room temperature
- 2 pints blueberries
- 2 pints strawberries, hulled and sliced

### Directions

Heat 1/4 cup sugar, the lemon juice and 1/4 cup water in

a saucepan over medium-high heat, stirring, until the sugar dissolves. Remove from the heat and stir in the almond extract.

Brush both sides of each slice of cake with the syrup. Cut the slices into 1-inch cubes.

Beat the remaining 2/3 cup sugar and the cream cheese with a mixer on medium speed until smooth and light. Add the cream and beat on medium-high speed until smooth and the consistency of whipped cream.

Arrange half of the cake cubes in the bottom of a 13-cup trifle dish. Sprinkle evenly with a layer of blueberries. Dollop half of the cream mixture over the

blueberries and gently spread. Top with a layer of strawberries. Layer the remaining cake cubes on top of the strawberries, then sprinkle with more blueberries and top with the remaining cream mixture. Finish with the remaining strawberries and blueberries, arranging them in a decorative pattern. Cover and refrigerate 1 hour.



### EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES MAY/JULY (10 plus years)

- Darrell Mullins, Landscape Consultant: 17 years
- Linda Carrara, Landscape Architect: 20 years
- Dan Bolin, Shop Manager: 17 years
- Dale Boroff, Irrigation Director, 14 years
- Rodolfo Ahedo, Chemical Tech, 13 years
- Bravilo Nambo, Maintenance Crew, 13 years
- Arturo Martinez, Galleria Porter, 13 years
- Jose Torres, Landscape Manager, 13 years
- Pete Walsh, Landscape Manager: 12 years
- Donai Perez, Maintenance Crew, 11 years
- Jose Quiroz, Maintenance Crew, 11 years
- Moises Tamayo, Maintenance Manager, 11 years
- Jason Cook, Irrigation Tech, 10 years
- Neter Alonso, Maintenance Crew, 10 years