

In 2010, the Park Meadows Metropolitan District (PMMD) joined with the City of Lone Tree and Denver Water to promote a water conservation rebate program aimed at helping Home-owners Associations (HOAs) save water and money on landscape irrigation. This program has been an overwhelming success! Since 2010 HOAs in Lone Tree saved approximately 12.5 million gallons of water and about \$50,000 in water costs!



Within PMMD, eleven HOAs participated in the program, including

Carriage Club	Centennial Ridge	Country Club Estates
Cypress Greens	Fairways 39	Heritage Enclave
Heritage Estates	Ridgeview	Terra Ridge
Taos	Muirfield at Lone Tree	

In most cases, the PMMD directly coordinated and paid for the purchase and installation of weather-based “smart controllers” for irrigating landscaped areas within the public right-of-way (which are jointly maintained by the District and HOAs). Smart controllers regulate the amount and frequency of irrigation based on weather conditions, resulting in increased irrigation system efficiencies and typically, a reduction in water usage.

Initially, participating HOAs were eligible to receive a 25% rebate from Denver Water toward the purchase price of each smart controller and an additional 25% match from the City of Lone Tree toward the purchase price *and* cost of installing each smart controller. This effectively cut each HOA’s costs by 50%, if not more.

The PMMD Board of Directors then upped the incentive ante for HOAs by offering to pay their cost of purchasing and installing each smart controller within the District on the condition that PMMD receive any smart controller rebates and/or matches from Denver Water and the City of Lone Tree. By doing this, the District effectively reduced most HOAs costs for purchasing and installing smart controllers to zero.

The Park Meadows Metropolitan District is proud that every HOA in the District participated in this program, which resulted in twenty-three smart controllers were purchased, installed and programmed at a total cost of \$36,560.

The Park Meadows Metropolitan District Board of Directors thanks all eleven HOAs and their respective board members, Denver Water, the City of Lone Tree, the landscape contractors (and particularly The Brickman Group), and the various property management companies and managers for their time and energy in successfully collaborating on this very important and worthwhile water conservation project. This effort would not have been possible without their expertise and support.