



Indian Palms C.C. - HOA November 2016 Landscape Report

Turf:

- *Mowing Height:*

Overseeding is still underway in the Lennar Homes – Cala Rosa and Vista Serena homes and should be complete by early November. The first mowing will be at 1.5” and has been completed in the areas where we initially started. Some thin areas will be refreshed with seed as needed throughout the month.

- *Fertilization:*

The first fertilization on turf will be after the first mowing.

- *Herbicide Applications:*

No herbicide applications will be completed in the turf in November.

Shrubs:

- *Focus Pruning:*

Shrubs that have been burned due to the high heat will be lightly trimmed of burned foliage as the temperatures cool and maintenance pruning shall continue. Pruning back of bougainvillea and Texas rangers in common areas is the focus this month. Mexican bird of paradise will be trimmed back in preparation for dormancy of the colder weather later this month.

- *Pesticide Applications:*

Spraying shrub beds where weeds are showing will continue throughout the month with routine gardening. Some hibiscus and bougainvillea will be sprayed due to aphid and spider mite infestation and we will continue as needed.

- *Plant Health:*

Because of drought restrictions and price increases, the amount of water applied to Coachella Valley landscapes has been reduced drastically. This has had an adverse effect to much of the plant material used in these landscapes. When temperatures exceed 115 degrees even plants that normally tolerate desert conditions can experience damage. The summer of 2016 is the second summer that plants have had to exist with lower irrigation levels and extreme heat. This is a partial list of plants that historically have been damaged or killed during summer months prior to restricted or decreased irrigation. Any cultural practice that increases stress on these plants can drastically affect their survivability. This is not a complete list, however we experienced more damage to the plants listed.

Pittosporum sp.	Nandina	Japanese boxwood	Ligustrum
Carolina cherry	Japanese Blueberry	Hibiscus	Euonymus
Texas privet	Roses	Raphioliopsis	Carissa

Trees:

- Tree Rite is in the process of pruning trees and will continue until completed through November.

Irrigation Schedules:

- Effective June 21, IWA has removed the water day restrictions which now allows for outdoor watering seven days a week. The Drought Penalty surcharge will remain in effect but this is below the ET requirements for green turf. Irrigation times will vary according to the overseeding process. Irrigation to turf will run four to five times per day to germinate the seed.