

Dear Homeowners,

We want to keep you informed about several current items and activities in Crystal Ridge.

### **LANDSCAPE**

You are seeing some brown areas on lawn in the Estates and Common Areas. The Board is aware of this and this is why it's happening and how it will improve:

1. Unusually dry and warm weather
2. The landscape contractor over applied lime treatment that was intended to inhibit moss growth. Some areas were burned as a result of the application
3. The irrigation water is normally turned on in late June as we normally receive sufficient rainfall prior in the spring months
4. All irrigation risers, heads and nozzles will be replaced in May and June. This will reduce water consumption by up to 30% and save money on water costs. The new equipment will also minimize the amount of water that flows out the system to the low areas and more efficiently deliver water to the uphill portion of the system. This will minimize some of the dry areas we have today.
5. The new equipment arrived on site about 30 days later than anticipated thus delaying installation. Installation is underway and we expect the system to be fully operational by mid-June.

### **TREES**

Also, you will see red "X" marks on many trees in the subdivision. These trees will be removed because they are either damaged, diseased or their roots are damaging the sidewalk or underground utilities (water lines, fire hydrants, street lights or other). Many of these trees will be replaced and some will not. If the tree location does not meet City of Puyallup standards, the tree will not be replaced. Usually this is where the tree would be located near utilities, within 10 feet of a driveway or would potentially block the sight of drivers at street intersections.

Crystal Ridge has about 900 trees in the common areas. Many were replaced over the years since the ice storm in 2008. Other trees have lived to or beyond their life expectancy and need to be replaced. Every year going forward about 50 trees will be replaced until all have been replaced. To date we are less than 1/3 complete on this project.

There are other projects under consideration by the Board and if you have an interest in this, please attend one of our monthly Board meetings. Times and locations are published on the CRHOA website. <http://crystalridgehoa.org/> Email [board@crystalridgehoa.org](mailto:board@crystalridgehoa.org)

Sincerely,

CR Board of Directors