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EPA's "Fix a Leak Week" Promotes WaterSense Irrigation Partners

As property owners turn on their irrigation systems to inspect for leaks, the EPA encourages them to consult WaterSense Irrigation Partners to fix water-wasting inefficiencies.

March 16, 2009, Phoenix, Ariz.— With more than 1 trillion gallons of water leaking from U.S. homes each year, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) dubbed this week (March 16 to 20) "Fix a Leak Week" to inspire Americans to check their plumbing fixtures and irrigation systems for leaks. As property owners turn on their irrigation systems to check for leaky equipment, they can turn to WaterSense Irrigation Partners to fix their irrigation system's water-wasting inefficiencies.

A partnership program sponsored by the EPA, WaterSense was created in 2006 to make it easier for Americans to save water and protect the environment. To help ease the demand of residential and commercial irrigation systems on local water supplies, WaterSense allows certified irrigation professionals to become WaterSense Irrigation Partners.

To become a WaterSense Irrigation Partner, you must obtain one of the following Irrigation Association certifications: Landscape Irrigation Auditor (CLIA), Golf Irrigation Auditor (CGIA) Irrigation Designer (CID) or Irrigation Contractor (CIC). Once you've completed your certification requirements, you may submit a partnership agreement to the EPA.

"Landscape irrigation auditing has increased in demand due to severe drought conditions across the country, as well as the boost in water conservation awareness thanks to programs like WaterSense," said Warren Gorowitz, vice president of sustainability and conservation for Ewing Irrigation Products. "Several cities have implemented ordinances requiring commercial and residential irrigation audits, giving WaterSense Irrigation Partners a new line of work."

Becoming a WaterSense irrigation partner is a great business opportunity amid economic uncertainty. Once you've become a WaterSense Irrigation Partner, the EPA will include your name and contact information on their website to make it easy for consumers to find certified professionals in their area. You can also incorporate the WaterSense Partner logo into your personal branding pieces such as business cards to add credibility to your services. To learn more about becoming a WaterSense Irrigation Partner, visit http://www.epa.gov/watersense/pp/cert_programs.htm.

Ewing Brings You One Step Closer to Becoming a WaterSense Irrigation Partner with New Lineup of Landscape Irrigation Auditor Workshops

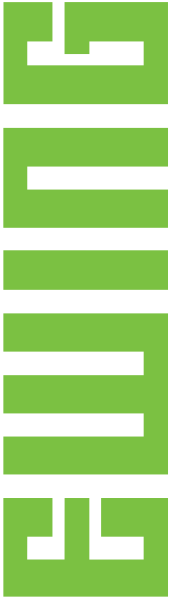
To accommodate for the increase in demand, Ewing added a new lineup of Landscape Irrigation Auditor workshops to prepare irrigation professionals for the Certified Landscape Irrigation Auditor exam.

The two-day workshop trains students to collect data from irrigation systems to determine uniformity, precipitation rates and overall efficiency, as well as how to calculate accurate irrigation schedules based on plant water use, soil conditions and local weather data.

The following irrigation workshops will be held in several cities throughout the country on the specified dates:

Kansas City, MO

March 31-April 1, 2009



Sacramento, CA
April 2-3, 2009
Phoenix, AZ
April 14-15, 2009
Pleasant Hill, CA
April 27-28, 2009
Medford, OR
April 29-30, 2009
Salt Lake City, UT
April 30-May 1, 2009
Seattle, WA
May 5-6, 2009
Portland, OR
May 6-7, 2009
Santa Rosa, CA
May 19-20, 2009
Chico, CA
May 21-22, 2009
Ventura, CA
May 27-28, 2009
San Diego, CA
June 9-10, 2009
San Jose, CA
June 15-16, 2009
Irvine, CA
June 18-19, 2009
San Francisco, CA
June 23-24, 2009
Fresno, CA
June 25-26, 2009
Los Angeles, CA
July 7-8, 2009
Pasco, WA
September 15-16, 2009
Portland, OR
September 15-16, 2009
Denver, CO
September 30 – October 1, 2009
Orlando, FL
October 8-9, 2009

To register, visit Ewing's education website at www.ewingeducationsservices.com.

Registration for the optional CLIA exam must be completed directly with the IA at www.irrigation.org 30 days prior to each examination date. It is important to note that you do not have to register with the IA if you only wish to attend the workshop. For questions regarding the workshop or exam, contact Jamie Thayer at 800.343.9464 or jthayer@ewing1.com.

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