

Irrigation Concerns

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As most of you are aware, our irrigation is challenging. The irrigation water is supplied from the south lake via Garden Lakes, at no additional cost to the Garden Lakes Manor residents. This is the most current information regarding the condition of the water and the irrigation issues, which has been provided by the Landscaping Supervisor who has that position for both Garden Lakes and Garden Lakes Manor.

Invasive snails and New Zealand Mud snails are causing significant ecological destruction and infrastructure damage in Arizona. These invasive snails accumulate on wet surfaces. They are damaging water and irrigation systems, by clogging pipes and filters, damaging infrastructure components, and compromising the system's functionality. Their resilience and ability to spread make them difficult to eradicate, which requires effective management strategies to mitigate their damage.

LandCare Unlimited, who is the landscaper for Garden Lakes and Garden Lakes Manor, has a team that has been collaborating with fish and game authorities. Chemicals have been added to the lake water to alleviate clogged drains and irrigation issues, although these efforts have been unsuccessful, so far. They are currently exploring alternative solutions, including the use of "snail killer" in the water. Please bear with us, as they continue to address this issue.

You may have noticed one to two landscaping personnel, on the premises for extended periods, Monday through Friday. They are clearing filters and sprinklers by hand. They are running water lines to help ensure a continued water supply for the residents and for the winter grass.

We apologize for the inconvenience this has caused and appreciate your understanding. We are working diligently to resolve this issue. The landscaper and our HOA are committed to continuing efforts to control the snail infestation, as quickly as possible. We welcome any suggestions from residents who have experience dealing with these invasive species.

The landscapers would also like to express their gratitude to the residents, who have attempted to water their own grass to promote germination and growth of the winter

grass. However, they kindly request that you allow them to manage the water supply, enabling them to identify and to address the most critical areas of congestion.