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Fall Again?? Your Trees may be a little Thirsty

Yes it's that time of the season when you ask yourself "Where did Summer Go". Though the temperatures were very reasonable and low through the summer, rain was hard to come by, with some regions of the state being behind by more than 8 inches. The turf can handle these deficits but your trees are suffering. Before the ground turns white, your trees need to be watered. The key is to water heavy and deep. Even if you have an irrigation system, it will only manage the water levels in the first 4-6 inches of soil. Maple trees and ash trees will do OK with regular irrigation. Oaks, Hardwoods and pines will be more dependent on deeper water sources. Running a slow dripping hose next to these trees will allow the water to penetrate deep into the soil. The mature trees on your property are undoubtedly the most valuable asset on your property, but are left in the cold when it comes to proper irrigation. Installing a proper automated tree watering system can help to protect this asset. Many advances in irrigation have given us many tools to work with. Bubblers have been available for many years.



They provide a high volume of water in a small compact area. The key to using these effectively for trees is to either build an

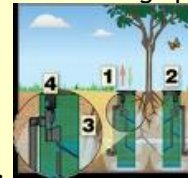
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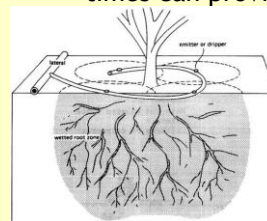
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earthen well around the tree or to install the bubblers inside a drainage pipe drilled into the ground



next to the tree. Either method will allow for water to pool and penetrate deep to the roots in need, instead of running off. Drip irrigation can provide an extremely slow watering method which through long run times can provide the same desired results.



Installing a tree irrigation system can be easily added to any system and be controlled by your irrigation controller. For more information give us a call at (320) 310-4241 or email us at info@useyourwaterright.com.

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