

**LARGE PROPERTY WATER USE EFFICIENCY PROJECT
LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION REBATE PROGRAM**

The following are **TERMS** for participating in Miami-Dade County's Landscape Irrigation Rebate Program (LIRP) for large properties:

1. Property must have a **functioning irrigation system** to qualify to participate in the LIRP (i.e. functioning pump or potable outlet, in ground irrigation lines and sprinkler heads located throughout the property). The property representative (applicant) will be contacted to schedule an on-site pre-assessment of the property's irrigation system and landscape by the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ program staff. Following the pre-assessment inspection, the applicant will be provided a written report with recommendations on how to make the landscape and irrigation system water efficient. **A pre-assessment of the irrigation system must be completed prior to any retrofits for program qualification. Any retrofits completed prior to the pre-assessment will not qualify for a rebate.**
2. The installation of an EPA WaterSense-labeled smart irrigation controller, retrofits, invoices & proof of payment must be completed within 6 months from the date of post-assessment inspection or August 31st of the program year, whichever comes first.
3. To qualify for the rebate, the applicant shall purchase materials and/or contract a licensed irrigation company to install the retrofits and make repairs as recommended in the staff's pre-assessment report.
4. On completion of the system upgrade/retrofit and installation of the EPA WaterSense-labeled smart irrigation controller, the applicant will contact staff to conduct a post-assessment to determine what upgrade/retrofits made to the irrigation system are eligible for a rebate and that the system is operating with the EPA WaterSense-labeled smart irrigation controller.
5. To receive a rebate for the landscape irrigation retrofits, the applicant must submit detailed, itemized documentation of the type of retrofit(s) completed and the cost of each. Documentation may include, but is not limited to an invoice, work order, on-line order confirmation and/or receipt. Additionally, proof of payment must be included with the documentation in the form of a cancelled check, money order, in-store sales receipt or credit card statement. All documentation must be submitted within 6 months from date of post assessment inspection conducted by staff or August 31st, whichever comes first. The LIRP will reimburse the **legal property owner up to but not exceeding two thousand eight hundred fifty dollars (\$2,850.00)** for implementing the recommended upgrade/retrofits and installation of the smart irrigation controller. Stipulations apply to how the reimbursement will be allotted as follows:

- A. The LIRP will **provide up to \$1,500** to a property owner for the purchase and installation of an EPA WaterSense-labeled smart irrigation controller;
- B. **A maximum of \$800 may be used towards repairs of irrigation systems**, including the following:

Repairs: \$800 max
Fix pipe leaks
Replace cracked or broken sprinklers
Replace leaky valves

- C. **Remainder of rebate can be applied to retrofits and upgrades**, including the following:

Retrofits:		
Install micro-irrigation irrigation	Rainwater catchment systems > 500 gallons	Purchase of rain sensor, soil moisture sensor, flow sensor, expansion modules and/or communication device
Install electric valves to replace index valves	Removal of irrigation where determined not needed	Redesign irrigation system with separate zone based on plant type (hydro-zones)
Purchase of additional EPA Water Sense labeled weather-based smart irrigation controller	Replace grass with low-maintenance drought-tolerant plants combined with removal of irrigation where these plants are located	Modification and installation of multi-stream, multi-trajectory nozzles to provide matched precipitation or better coverage (high efficiency sprays not applicable)

- 6. The applicant will be informed of other water conservation programs available from Miami-Dade Water & Sewer Department (WASD) which funds the LIRP. The property will also be given educational materials on the LIRP and the possibility of Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ Yard recognition, where applicable.
- 7. The property will allow the LIRP to release copies of both pre and post-assessment reports to WASD and South Florida Water Management District.
- 8. The applicant agrees to hold harmless Miami-Dade County, WASD, and staff for any loss or damage to the property and/or landscaping.