



"The earth laughs in flower" ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

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## GARDEN MAINTENANCE

- ☐ Time to turn on your irrigation system and check that it's working. Call Rexus/Grant's Irrigation Division for an appointment.
- ☐ A "Catch Can Test" will check sprinkler coverage so adjustments can be made before summer usage starts. Call EWEB Waterline or go to their web site [www.eweb.org](http://www.eweb.org) for instructions.
- ☐ Continue to rid landscape beds of weeds. Apply a layer of a Rexus mulch product to conserve water, lower soil temperature, discourage weed growth, and aid soil condition. Let our knowledgeable Rexus sales staff help you make the best product choice.
- ☐ Continue preparing your garden soil for planting by incorporating generous amounts of Rexus Garden Compost or Steer Plus™.
  - ☐ To keep hydrangeas blue in color, use Aluminum Sulfate. To keep them pink, apply lime or Super Phosphate in quantity.
  - ☐ Perennials should be dug, divided, and transplanted when new growth is 3" to 4" high for rejuvenation and size control.

## LAWN CARE

- ☐ Control lawn weeds. Be on the lookout for unwanted broad-bladed grasses and hand weed in their earliest stages of development.
- ☐ Mow weekly with a mulching mower. Keep your lawn cut slightly higher. Taller blades encourage deeper root growth and increase drought tolerance. (*note Healthy Lawn Tips Guide*)
- ☐ A great time to core aerate your lawn (promotes better water penetration). Spread 1/2 to 3/4 inch layer of high quality Rexus certified Garden Compost over top and back-rake in.
- ☐ If you are going to plant, Terraseed™, or sod a lawn, first prepare your soil. Soil preparation is a MUST for best results. (*check New Lawn Planting Tip Guide*)

## PLANTING GUIDE

- ☐ Plant cool season herbs and vegetables if not already done. (Did you rotate them ?)
- ☐ Plant summer bulbs, corms, and tubers, making sure soil temperature conditions are right.
- ☐ Established perennial vegetables would benefit from placing Rexus Garden Compost or Steer Plus™ around them.

