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## **Power Loss May Reset Sprinkler Timers**

*~~Residents Reminded to Check Settings Once Power Is Restored~~*

**PASCO COUNTY, FL** ---- [Pasco County Utilities](#) reminds residents to check sprinkler timer programming after power outages, power surges, or lightning strikes. Even a momentary power loss may be enough to reset electronic clocks and timers to factory default settings.

If a controller reverts to factory default settings, it could easily result in large amounts of unintended watering and high unexpected water bills. “One of the most common factory default modes is a daily watering schedule,” explains Frank Galdo, Jr., Water Conservation & Efficiency Coordinator. “With so many affected by power loss in the wake of Hurricane Irma, providing this reminder is essential to helping our neighbors avoid unintentional high usage.”

Although many sprinkler controllers contain backup batteries, they may still fail to retain date, time, or sprinkler settings in the event of extended power outages. For a collection of tips and online tutorials to help program an efficient watering schedule and avoid common programming errors, residents can visit [bitly.com/pascolawn](http://bitly.com/pascolawn).

For more information, please visit the [Pasco County Utilities Webpage](#), connect via email at [UtilCustServ@PascoCountyFL.net](mailto:UtilCustServ@PascoCountyFL.net), or call the Pasco County Utilities Customer Information & Services main office at 813.235.6012.

