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Neighborhood News

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**We are on our way to a
record Monsoon season**

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News from the neighborhood

Rain- we have record rain for the month of July and are on our way to record rain in August. This is a huge blessing for a droughted region.

Mosquitos- We have had many mosquitos due to the rain. Please protect yourselves. Pima county has recorded several cases of West Nile which is not something to take lightly

Weeds- with the blessing of rain comes the annoyance of massive amounts of weeds. Pre-emergents were put down but it rained so hard that it washed the pre-emergents through the soil. Due to this the landscapers are having to hand pull and spray for weeds. It has been raining so much that they are having a hard time keeping up with the weeds. Keep in mind they are only here 3 hours per week. Please be patient with them. They are trying to address areas as fast as they can.

Storm damage- A fair amount of landscape work was put on hold in the beginning of the summer to address storm damage to trees and to correctively pruning them to hopefully prevent future damage. There was also a fair amount of cleanup in other areas due to storm damage.

Projects – There have been many projects that have been started and are ongoing as well as some that have been completed. The following is a list:

Neighborhood nursery area has been created outside the pool area and there have been numerous cactus moved to that area to await transplanting to other landscape areas as they are ready.

The front of the pool has been cleaned up, junipers removed, dead plant material removed, Texas rangers removed, ground reworked for water retention and rock waterways redone. As weather permits there will be nandinas planted on the north side to match the south side to make this area more aesthetically pleasing. There has also been a beautiful blue curiosity cactus placed in this area that was donated by a resident.

The bulk of the landscape work so far has been concentrated on removal and cleanup of dead material in the neighborhood. This is a huge job due to extensive dead material and added dead material due to storms. We have also lost a fair amount of cactus due to the rains. They simply got too top heavy with the rain and fell over. Unfortunately these big ones cannot be transplanted.

The landscapers will continue to remove dead material, prickly pear and agaves that are rotting and

infected with rat nests. They will also focus on selectively removing Texas rangers that are growing together or are just too numerous for certain areas. We will leave some Texas rangers in, but the goal is to cut them back properly and allow them to regenerate properly.

Rock waterway work will continue. These will be re-worked and directed to areas that they are actually watering future plant material rather than running off into the street. The huge amounts of rain have given us a really good picture as to which waterways are actually necessary. Waterways that are not necessary will be reworked.

Reminders;

Clippings- please do not throw these over your walls into common areas or into wash areas

Cigarette butts and trash- There have been a fair amount of cigarette butts and trash items cleaned up in parking areas and areas surrounding parking areas. Please keep these areas clean. Do not throw cigarette butts out in any area in the neighborhood. If you have visitors using these areas please notify them as well.

Yard boundaries- Everything from the corner of your wall toward your garage in front is considered your yard and your responsibility. From the corner of your wall toward your neighbor in the front is common area. If you are an inner unit this may differ. If you are in doubt as to where your boundaries are please let us know and we will walk it with you.

Trees- Please keep your trees trimmed up and back from the street so that trash trucks and other vehicles can get under them.

Please be aware that we do have many elderly people in the neighborhood. If you notice that they are having a hard time maintaining their yards either offer some help or let the landscape committee know and we will try to get some volunteers together to help. As fall nears we will be trying to implement some community projects and events as the weather cools.

