

# AGENDA

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Federal Heights neighborhoods  
of Salt Lake City, Utah

### Chair's Message for July

by *Dave Alderman*

Do you know what the new Salt Lake City Airport and the Avenues Foothills Trails have in common? Lots of interesting things to see and long hikes. At the new SLC airport, the sights are landscape-inspired artwork; while on the Foothills Trails, they're actual landscapes. The Foothills Trails are also much longer hikes, although it may not feel that way if you're running late for a flight. Another common point is that people are identifying opportunities for improvement with both new projects.



At our July meeting, we'll hear from the City's Parks Department about the Trails Master Plan and the work that's been completed to date, as well as changes and improvements to be made going forward. We'll also hear from a group that wants to revisit the entire Master Plan. We should have some time for questions and comments from meeting attendees. There are articles from both groups on page three where you can learn more.

While it sounds like these two groups are opposed to each other, I believe that everyone wants a future where we have enjoyable, safe, and sustainable trails. It should be an interesting discussion.

While on the subject of the great outdoors, we are entering what is normally the hottest and driest part of the year. While we need to conserve water, we also want to protect our trees. With the windstorm last year, we lost many of the big trees that help give our neighborhood its distinctive feel. Watering a lawn in normal conditions may not give our trees the water they need during the summer. This year, when we should cut back on watering the lawn, providing supplemental water to our trees is even more important. Trees provide shade to cool the ground, bird habitat, and help clean our air. The lawn will come back much easier than a tree.

Also remember that shooting off fireworks is not allowed in the Greater Avenues Area (see page 4 for more info).

So while we debate the future of the Foothills Trails, let's take care of what's happening in our own areas that each of us can control. And remember to leave early for your next trip out of the SLC Airport.

### Avenues Street Fair

The Avenues Street Fair is back! We're planning for a full, in-person event on Saturday September 11th. This year's Fair location is planned for 9th Avenue between D and I Street.

Visit [www.avenuesstreetfair.org](http://www.avenuesstreetfair.org) for more information and mark your calendar.

There are many opportunities to participate, a few of these are:  
- The "People's Art Gallery" is a contest where prizes are given in five categories: 0-9 years, 10-14 years, 15-18 years, adult amateur, and adult professional, as well as the People's Choice Award. Applications are available on the website and are due

### GACC July 7th Virtual Meeting

- 7:00 to 7:05 Welcome, Announcements.
- 7:06 to 7:45 Reports: Fire, Library, Police, City Council, Mayor's Office School Board, Legislative, LDS Hospital.
- 7:46 to 8:30 Avenues Foothill Trails:  
-Save our Foothills - **Daniel Schelling**;  
-SLC Parks Dept. - **Tyler Fonarow**.
- 8:31 to 8:45 Open Forum.
- 8:46 to 9:00 Adjourn.

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the day of the 7 p.m. meeting.**

August 31st.

-Booth applications are now open and filling fast. All applications are due by 15 August. Both on-line and paper copy application forms are available on the website.

Also, every year we are in need of volunteers on the day of the Street Fair. Even if it is for just a couple of hours! Please contact volunteer coordinator Paul Walton at [pw Walton@dsdmail.net](mailto:pw Walton@dsdmail.net).

### Utah Legislative Youth Advisory Council

Utah House District 24 Representative Jennifer Dailey-Provost has formed a Youth Advisory Council and is accepting applications from local youth ages 14-18 who are interested in and passionate about politics, legislation, and government processes.

Applications are open now and close on Sunday, August 8. The Council's work is to examine problems and give possible solutions regarding issues facing youth in the Salt Lake area such as air quality, as well as input on legislation being drafted and debated at the Utah state level. The Council provides a direct connection between young constituents and government officials, and means our elected officials will take the perspectives, desires, and needs of our youth into account when drafting and implementing legislation. Learn more and apply at <https://sites.google.com/view/yacjdp/get-involved/application-2021-2022>.

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## Community Meetings

If you have questions please contact GACC Chair Dave Alderman at [gaccchair@slc-avenues.org](mailto:gaccchair@slc-avenues.org). All are welcome!

### GACC Council Virtual Meeting

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### GACC Board Virtual Meeting

GACC Board Virtual Meeting will be on **July 14th** at 7 p.m. If you wish to participate, send a message to the chair Dave Alderman at [gaccchair@slc-avenues.org](mailto:gaccchair@slc-avenues.org).

## Community Life / Resources / Free Stuff!

**Sweet Branch Library**, 455 F Street, 801-594-8651, [www.slcl.org/branches/view/Corinne+and+Jack+Sweet](http://www.slcl.org/branches/view/Corinne+and+Jack+Sweet).

**Super Summer Challenge: Kingdoms of Wonder** June 1 - August 14. Set out on a grand adventure with your City Library! Starting June 1, stop by any City Library location and grab your FREE Super Summer Challenge Tracker. Inside you'll find reading challenges and exciting activities to do at the Library and throughout the city. Four different trackers will be available: Babies & Toddlers, Kids, Teens, and Adults. Each has activities the whole family can do together! You can also go paperless by tracking your progress online with Beanstack <https://slcl.beanstack.org> or by downloading the Beanstack Tracker app.

### Kids Calendar

Look for storytimes, book reviews, and Super Summer Challenge programs like Hello Music, Books and Boots, Scales and Tales, magic shows, How to Care for Imaginary Creatures, and the Children's Fitness Challenge on the Kids & Tweens Biblioboard <https://library.biblioboard.com/anthology/29e9ff46-f18d-429f-858e-bff3e2253388> Summer Take & Makes for kids. While supplies last. Sign up for a year-round reading program for kids from 0-18! Kids track their progress and earn prizes. Pick up your free reading tracker (1,000 Books before Kindergarten, 200 Books before 4th, and 100 Books before Graduation) at any City Library, or register for a digital tracker at [slcl.beanstack.org](http://slcl.beanstack.org). Happy reading. Where the Wild Things Are Scavenger Hunt. July 12 - 17. Look around outside of Sweet Library for Maurice Sendak's creations from his book "Where the Wild Things Are". Fill out and enter an answer sheet/raffle ticket for a chance to win a Wild Things stuffed animal.

### Teen Calendar

**Activism Club** - July 19th, 3pm. Are you interested in social justice, the environment, helping the homeless, animal rights, and more? Civically minded teens are welcome to join our virtual summer activism club. We will choose an issue, and the rest of the summer

will be devoted to learning about the issue, finding some way to help, and possibly presenting what you worked on to the public. Anyone with questions can reach out to Meagan at [mgonsalves-vorwald@slcl.org](mailto:mgonsalves-vorwald@slcl.org). Teen Take & Makes - available while supplies last! Teen Pen Pal Project - Teens ages 12-17 can make new friends with the Pen Pal Project! Sign up, and you'll be paired with a pen pal based on your age and interests. Don't worry about stamps, you can pick up and drop off your letters with any City Library. We'll email you when a new letter arrives. To sign up, please visit [slcl.org/penpals](http://slcl.org/penpals)

**Animal Crossing Bug Off** - July 16th, 4-6pm. Join the City Library on our island for a special Bug Off event! Join us using friend code SW-6225-7649-2110. You must have your own Nintendo Switch and a copy of Animal Crossing: New Horizons in order to participate.

**Teen DIY on Biblioboard and Teen Blog** - any teens or tweens interested in fun crafts curated by Teen Librarians should check out the SLCL Teens page on our website (<https://services.slcl.org/teens>). You'll find links to our videos and blog posts as well as some curated book lists and other activities you can do at home.

### Adult Calendar

**Sweet Reads** Get to know some of the faces from your neighborhood and read a variety of books from all sorts of genres. This book club will meet virtually on Zoom, on the fourth Tuesday of each month. In July, we'll be reading *Love Lettering* by Kate Clayborn and will be meeting on July 27 at 7pm. Please email Jen Scott at [jscott@slcl.org](mailto:jscott@slcl.org) if you would like to join! Take and Makes: drop by the Sweet Library to pick up a craft kit that you can take home and complete! All of the materials needed for the craft are included, and we will have a new craft at the beginning of each month. The July craft is a watercolor sign! While supplies last.

### Neighborhood Avenues Exercise Class.

Mondays and Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. FREE! Everyone Welcome! Contact Jan Root for our current location and for any questions at 801-455-2082, [janroot@xmission.com](mailto:janroot@xmission.com).

### City Academy, 555 E. 200 S., [www.cityacademyslc.org](http://www.cityacademyslc.org).

Are you tired of the same-old, same old-school? A wide range of options for learning in class, online, at local colleges and in our city. Smaller classes and flexible scheduling. Check us out at [cityacademyslc.org](http://cityacademyslc.org) or call 801-596-8489.

### Tenth East Senior Center at 237 S 1000 E. - 385-468-3140.

<https://slco.org/tenth-east-senior-center/> Open Mon-Fri 7:00 am-4:00pm. Drive-Thru Lunch: 10:15 - 11:00 am, Monday-Friday. Dine-In Lunch: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm., Monday-Friday.

*In-person classes are resuming and require pre-registration.*

**Farmer's Market Tuesday**, July 13th at 11:00 am. Fresh produce will be available in the parking lot. Walk-up: first come-first served.

**Summer Barbeque Tuesday**, July 13th from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Entertainment by Old Time Fiddlers and Line Dancing by Bonnie Bown. The menu consists of grilled hamburgers with fixings, chips, watermelon & lemonade for \$3.00. Families & friends are invited to attend. Please RSVP by calling 385-468-3140 by July 9th.

### Live Music and Dancing are back at Tenth East!

Kay Hunt Combo featuring Beverly Frank on Thursdays starting July 8th from 12:30 to 2:30 pm. \$3.00 suggested donation.

### Walking Tours on South Temple by Preservation Utah

In 2014, Bim Oliver created a docent-led tour of the modern buildings on South Temple for Utah's Preservation Conference. Bim's extensive knowledge of South Temple resulted in a book, *South Temple Street Landmarks: Salt Lake City's First Historic District (2017)*. If you weren't on the tour in 2014, however, you missed out on Bim's research about the modern buildings on South Temple...until now.

Bim used his Covid shutdown time to turn the docent-led tour of South Temple's modern architecture into a self-guided walking tour for Salt Lake Modern and Preservation Utah. The tour is now available online at <https://preservationutah.org/experience/take-a-tour>.

There are 10 other tours also available, including one for the historic buildings on South Temple. All tours are free and allow you to walk with an expert.

## The Agenda

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## It's Like Sunburn in the Lungs

Everyone who lives in Utah knows about our winter bad air quality episodes. The winter bad air is visible. But summer ozone is not visible. That is why it is potentially more dangerous. If we are not aware of it, we will not do anything to protect ourselves and our families. Whenever we enjoy air conditioning, drive a car, put fuel in our vehicles, use gasoline-powered yard tools, Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are released into the air. These chemicals bake in the heat and sunlight and create the dangerous summer ozone. This ozone causes difficulty breathing for everyone but it is particularly damaging to the young, elderly, or those with pre-existing health conditions. Health experts have compared the damage to the lungs to the damage the sun does to our skin.

**Protect your health and the health of your family** - Download the UtahAir App to track ozone levels. The App will warn you when it is unhealthy to be outside for extended periods. Because temperatures are lower in the mornings and evenings, ozone levels are also lower. Being aware of this will help you plan outdoor activities when the ozone levels are lower. Outdoor exercise, when you are using a lot of air, can be particularly harmful when ozone levels are high.

**What can you do this summer to make a difference?** - You can focus your tasks during lower ozone times and avoid the heat of midday. There is much to enjoy and work to be done, but with a little effort and some easy changes, it can all be done in a manner that will not contribute to the daily cycle of high ozone levels midday.

**Yard Work** - Plan your day so you can do yard work during the early morning or evening. Better still consider investing in an electric mower and electric yard tools.

**Fuel** - Fill your gasoline vehicle either early in the day or later in the evening to avoid adding those gas fumes to the air during the hottest times.

**Air Conditioner** - Decrease your dependency on your air conditioner. Consider going old school and depending more on fans and open windows. At the very least, set a higher temperature so the AC is not running at full force all day and all night.

**Walk or Bike** - Take advantage of the weather and walk or bike to your local restaurants, grocery store, or park.

Continue your good air quality habits that help in the winter:

**Carpool/Transit** - When you do need to travel any distance, try to carpool and take public transit.

**Trip-chain** - Organize your week and your days and run multiple errands at once. Start your car only once or twice a week rather than several times per day. You will save fuel and pollute considerably less.

**Do it Digitally** - Whenever possible stay home and skip commuter traffic. Arrange for a work schedule that allows you to work from home as often as possible and particularly when the ozone levels are high. While it is better to buy local, some items make sense purchasing online.

by Gwen Springmeyer

## Save Our Foothills Campaign

In 2016, Salt Lake City embarked on a plan to upgrade and expand recreational trails in the city's foothills. Recognizing that increased usership has strongly impacted these outdoor spaces, the city developed the Foothills Trails Masterplan.

According to the Masterplan, the expansion should prioritize equitability, sustainability, habitat protection, and safety. In contrast, the modified and new trails are prone to erosion, destroy habitats, and pit pedestrians and bicyclists against one another.

Moreover, the trails currently under construction do not match the trails shown on the Masterplan; when questioned about this discrepancy, the Parks department replied that the so-called Masterplan is "only a guide." In other words, hundreds of thousands of taxpayer dollars have been granted to out-of-state trail consulting and construction firms without regulation, oversight, or accountability.

The Save Our Foothills campaign aims to halt implementation of the Masterplan until a third-party reassessment is completed.

At the upcoming GACC meeting, Daniel Schelling, a professional geologist, will speak about the inherent problems in the Masterplan, explain why the plan hasn't met the city's stated benchmarks, and suggest how the Masterplan must be revised to maintain the beauty and accessibility of Salt Lake City's foothills.

For more information and the SOF campaign petition, go to [www.slcfoothills.org](http://www.slcfoothills.org).

## Foothills Trail System

Every year, more people discover SLC's Foothills Natural Area (FNA). This trend, combined with anticipated population growth, will require better management of the trails in the FNA. Fortunately, City leadership has taken proactive steps, highlighted by the 2020 adoption of the Foothills Trail System Plan (Trails Plan). Thousands of residents and dozens of expert stakeholders provided feedback to help form this plan. Phase I of the Trails Plan was mostly completed this spring. Construction on Twin Peaks and Dry Creek trails has been paused to measure user satisfaction and further investigate cultural and environmental impacts.

Making trails SAFE and ENJOYABLE are two Trails Plan goals. To improve user safety and reduce potential usage conflicts, management designations have been determined for some trails. We have added 3.2 miles of designated "Downhill Biking Only" trails, 4.5 miles of new hiking-only trails, and 1.4 miles of hiking/uphill biking trails.

The three other Trails Plan goals are ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE, ACCESSIBLE, and LOW-MAINTENANCE. Some existing trails in the FNA are steep, eroding and hazardous. With the population growth of the Salt Lake Valley, and the extraordinary increase in outdoor recreation due to the pandemic, it is more important than ever to build sustainable lesser-grade trails that will protect the surrounding natural lands and its sensitive ecosystems. Implementation of the Trails Plan is necessary to protect our cherished foothills for generations to come.

Tyler Fonarow, Trail Projects Specialist – Foothills Trail System Division of Trails and Natural Lands Salt Lake City Corporation - [tyler.fonarow@slcgov.com](mailto:tyler.fonarow@slcgov.com) - cell 801-347-8663.



## F Street ReZone Update

In case you are wondering what's happening with regard to Ivory Homes' application to rezone 675 North F Street, we thought we would give you a quick update. Not very much right now is the short answer. We had expected this matter to progress to a Planning Commission hearing in May; however, before this meeting was scheduled Ivory asked for a postponement. Our understanding is that they were revising some of the plans to bring them into compliance with SR-1 zoning setback requirements. Apparently, there are other potential changes being considered, including a possible Planned Development (PUD) application.

Thanks again to all who voted during the April GACC meeting. Almost 1,300 Avenues residents made their position known, which is a tremendous amount for a community council vote.

We will keep you informed as events progress.

## Fire Wise Sub-committee Mission and Tips

The summer of 2021 has barely begun and in the face of a record drought, Utah's wildfire season is off to a worrying start. The summer of 2021 also saw the creation of the GACC's FireWise sub-committee (FWSC).

The mission of the FireWise sub-committee is to educate Avenues residents to the dangers of wildfire within our community and to help residents prevent, prepare for and mitigate the risks from wildfire.

One place that the FWSC will be collecting and providing information for residents will be on a GACC FWSC web-page. We will also be providing regular "Firewise Tips" in The Agenda to help you focus on steps you can take year round to reduce your risk.

To begin, here are five tips that are not too late to implement in and around your home before a wildfire threatens the Avenues: Prevent embers from igniting your home by clearing leaves and other debris from gutters, eaves, porches and decks. These are also the places embers are most likely to collect during a wildfire.

Remove dead vegetation from under your deck/porch and within ten feet of the house.

Remove flammable materials (firewood, propane tanks) within 30 feet of your home and outbuildings (garages and sheds). If it can catch fire, don't let it touch your house, deck or porch.

Reduce the risk of wildfire from spreading to tree tops. Prune low branches up to 6-10 feet from the ground.

Screen areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent combustible materials from accumulating.

Visit the NFPA's Firewise web-page at <http://tiny.cc/6m02uz> for more information on reducing your risk.

## New Pet Shop in The Avenues

If you are a follower of Nextdoor or if you walk down 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue around K Street you've probably noticed that there is a new business in the Neighborhood. We'd like to welcome Healthy Pets Salt Lake City to the Avenues! Co-owners Shawn Thompson and Dain Percifield, Avenues residents, want to support the wellness needs of dogs and cats in the neighborhood with affordable and nutritious, high quality food and treats, which they source from local or family-owned brands that don't have a history of recalls. They are excited to offer the neighborhood alternatives for pet health and recreation that have not been available without driving across town.

The foods they carry are free from animal by-products, fillers and unnecessary ingredients and are made in the US, Canada, Europe or New Zealand. Their staff has extensive training in the many facets of pet nutrition.

Healthy Pets offers both frequent buyer and loyalty programs that you won't find with big box or online retailers. And for every dollar spent in a locally-owned business, \$.55 stays in Utah, which is 4x more than if that same dollar was spent at a national retailer.

Please stop in and personally welcome to the Avenues Shawn, Dain, and the whole Healthy Pets crew!

**Healthy Pets SLC** Southeast corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave at K Street

**Store Hours:** Mon - Fri: 10-7 - Sat: 10-5 - Sun: 12-5.

## Friend of the Cemetery Cleanup Success!

The Cemetery has re-opened, and the Friends of the Salt Lake City Cemetery have held their first volunteer activity.

All in the space of THREE weeks! On Monday May 24th, the Cemetery was officially re-opened after the windstorm of September 2020 which had caused such extensive damage to trees, headstones and other items. The Cemetery had remained closed since the storm while staff worked diligently to repair damage, consult experts, and arrange contractors! HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to the cemetery staff for working so tirelessly for so many months to repair the storm damage. As soon as the Cemetery was officially open, friends and families of loved ones buried at the cemetery were able to visit, with visitors in observance of Memorial Day starting as early as Wednesday 26th May. In fact, over 650 people visited the Cemetery's office during the Memorial weekend to request plot location and grave site information.

Each year, in observance of Memorial Day, visitors to the Cemetery place potted plants and flowers around the graves of their loved ones, and once the flowers and plants have died they need to be removed. On 10th, 11th and 12th of June, the Friends of the Salt Lake City Cemetery held their first volunteer activity to help the Cemetery Go Green after the Memorial Day period. Removing the flowers and plants is a huge task for the Cemetery staff as it requires separating the plants (the green waste) from the plant pots (the recyclable waste) from the non-recycle foil/plastic wrap (trash). This year, the Friends group teamed up with the Cemetery to arrange three volunteer activities to help with this process. We had a great turn out from the community, and we would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to each of you who volunteered. We estimate we had 70+ volunteers over the course of the three activities! We are excited to see how much green and recyclable waste we were able to help divert from the landfill – the green waste will be composted by the City and the recyclable waste will be recycled. The Friends group is so happy to be able to help the Cemetery, and to provide hands-on volunteer activities for members of the community. Several of the volunteers reiterated how important it is to feel that they can contribute to caring for the Cemetery, and reduce the amount of waste that ends up in the landfill. Next month, we will share estimates on the success of this Go Green activity. If you are interested in participating in future volunteer events, please visit the website (<https://slc-avenues.org/friends-slc-cemetery>), or email the Friends group ([slccemeteryfriends@gmail.com](mailto:slccemeteryfriends@gmail.com))

## Firework Restrictions Are in Place

**FIREWORKS  
PROHIBITED  
NORTH OF S. TEMPLE**

A reminder to all our neighbors that fireworks restrictions are in place this year. The City's map of restrictions shows fireworks are banned in all of Salt Lake City, covering all of the Avenues including the foothills and trails. Please note that this restriction includes sparklers and all consumer fireworks.

There's plenty of dry fuel in the lawns, parks, and especially open spaces above our Avenues and there are homes situated near draws and gullies that are loaded with tinder-dry grasses and shrubs begging to burn.

If you plan to use fireworks somewhere else than in the Avenues, remember that the dates for legal use have also changed. Fireworks may only be discharged in Salt Lake City on the following days: July 2 through July 5- 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. (until Midnight on July 4th); July 22 through July 25- 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. (until Midnight on July 24th).

See [www.slc.gov/fire/fireworks](http://www.slc.gov/fire/fireworks) for the latest information on where consumer fireworks may be used.

Concerned neighbors please call 801-799-3000 to report fireworks being set off anywhere in the Avenues.

## Water Conservation Efforts Needed

It looks like a long, hot and dry summer for Salt Lake City this year. The thermometers are hitting 100 degrees in the first week of June. In late May, Salt Lake City Mayor Erin Mendenhall declared a Stage 2 water shortage contingency response, triggered by low snow melt and stream flows. The creeks that supply a portion of the water for more than 360,000 water customers are ranging from only 22 percent to 52 percent of average this year.

In Stage 2, most actions remain voluntary, except greater conservation responsibilities fall on municipal and other government facilities. Government facilities throughout Salt Lake City's service area are required to stay within established watering budgets and to implement specific best practices to reduce water use and water waste.

The last time Salt Lake City declared a Stage 2 response was in 2004, and a Stage 3 response was triggered later that summer. City parks and golf courses were required to cut water use by 15 percent, fund-raising car washes were prohibited, and city water fountains were shut off.

Taking simple conservation measures now may help prevent the need for moving to a more restrictive stage of the Water Shortage Contingency Plan:

- Visit the Public Utilities website to learn about the Salt Lake City Water Conservation Master Plan [www.slc.gov/utilities/water-conservation-plan-2020](http://www.slc.gov/utilities/water-conservation-plan-2020);
- Sign up for a **free water check** from the Public Utilities website. This will help you determine efficient watering levels for your lawn and landscapes;
- Adjust automatic sprinkler controllers to reflect the season and weather, including shutting off during rainstorms;
- Check sprinkler systems for broken or misaligned spray heads;
- Water lawns sparingly in evening and early morning only; lawn will typically go dormant in summer and reducing water will not kill it;

- Check indoor faucets and fixtures for leaks and repair promptly;
- Find more helpful hints at the EPA Watersense site at [www.epa.gov/watersense](http://www.epa.gov/watersense).

## Landscape Care & Water Conservation During Utah's Drought

2021 represents the 19th driest year on record in 127 years for the Salt Lake County region. The impact of extreme drought in Utah includes drying springs and ponds, stressed vegetation, worse air quality and increased fire danger. But don't be tempted to eliminate watering by ripping out your greenery and replacing it with gravel. This will only create higher soil and air temperatures in the city - the "urban heat island" effect - leading to increased water needs for vegetation and greater demands on the power grid for home cooling.

Rather, consider introducing water-wise plants to your landscape and learn more about how to water with conservation in mind. You could probably water your lawn less, but may actually need to water your trees more. Trees are often neglected because they don't reveal their thirst like quickly browning grass and shrubs. A general rule of thumb is to water a tree with 5-10 gallons for every 1 inch of trunk diameter. This summer water newly planted trees and small trees 2X/week (ie. 1-3 inches in diameter), water medium trees 3X/month (ie. 4-8 inches in diameter), and water large trees 2X/month (ie. 10+ inches in diameter). Imagine where raindrops would fall from the leaves of your tree; this imaginary circle is called the drip line. You won't know how much water you're using with a hose, so consider using a 10-gallon bucket to slowly pour water around your tree's drip line. You can learn more about how to water your landscape during Utah's drought by visiting <https://www.slc.gov/utilities/conservation/droughttips/>.

by Kendra Lawrence

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