GROUNDS MAINTENANCE REPORT

September 16, 2008

The drought continues. No help from errant hurricanes although Hanna was a help. Unfortunately, not long enough. Our sense is that water restrictions placed on the community will last a longer than desired period of time. The affect of drought/no watering continue to be visible throughout our community. Ironically, the last weeding/trimming of the year was postponed until this week because of wet weather.

The grounds maintenance committee met with McCLURE TREE SERVICE this morning to discuss large tree trimming projects. Although significant trimming will be done to several of our "signature trees", most of the maples will go untouched since all are showing signs of sever strain. In fact we may lose several unless conditions change dramatically. McClure's recommended we do nothing with these trees until the spring when we will reassess. In the meantime we will continue to trim and prune out all dead branches of the rhododendrons which are also showing signs of sever stress.

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