

It's hot out there and we all need to drink. Trees too!

With the continued drought and very high temperatures, newly planted trees need to be watered on a weekly basis. As a rule of thumb, trees need at least 10 gallons of water per inch of the tree's diameter (measured at knee height). A good long watering once or twice a week is far better than daily light watering.

Slow and deep watering is optimum and avoids excess runoff. Gator bags work really well, allowing water to slowly drip. A five-gallon bucket with small holes drilled in the bottom can also work well. Remember that a properly mulched tree will help conserve moisture, reduce soil temperatures and limit weed growth.

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