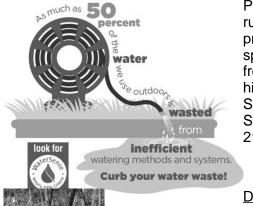
***REMEMBER TO CHECK THE WATER CONSERVATION HOTLINE FOR CURRENT WATER RESTRICTIONS! 214-509-3111. Call for recorded information on our current drought status before you water your landscape! Or check website: www.cityofallen.org (Lake levels remain low for this time of year. Pending rainfall in May, the summer months may prompt the need for Stage 3 Water Conservation. Stage 3 requires once a week watering.)

As much as 50% of the water we use outdoors is wasted from inefficient watering methods and systems.



Please curb your water waste by never allowing a hose to continuously run, repair any leaks in outdoor faucets and sprinkler systems, and program sprinkler controllers to water only what is needed. All plant species are different in water requirements. Native plants will actually die from too much water! Use drip systems for all landscape beds; retrofit to high efficient nozzles and/or pressure regulating equipment; install SMART controllers and other efficient irrigation equipment-the city has a SMART irrigation rebate to help offset the cost! Check the website, or call 214-509-4553 for more information on our rebate program.

DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS!

Spring in Texas brings wildflowers, plenty of sunshine and high winds! High winds bring out litter from multiple sources. Litter catches in the wildflowers, lines our landscaping and highways, clogs our storm sewers and pollutes our lakes. Please do your part to prevent litter by:

- bagging your household trash before placing it in the trash cart;
- carrying a litter bag in your car and using it; litter often blows out when you open vehicle doors or windows;
- taking a bag with you and picking up litter on your daily walk;
- putting litter in the trash after picnics, snacks on the go, or cleaning up outside the house.
- 1.1 billion pieces of litter accumulate on Texas roadways each year costing taxpayers millions of dollars in clean-up costs. If every person in Texas picked up just ten pieces of litter each month, Texas would be litter-free. Help create a clean city by choosing not to litter and taking action to stop it from happening!