

- ☐ **Fall Fertilizer:** A Fall Fertilizer Application is key in helping to ensure that your lawn has a strong root system to better withstand winter, and a healthy lawn will revive more quickly in the spring! (Included in our full lawn programs.)
 - ☐ **Sulfur Application:** An Organic Sulfur App. is the best thing you can do for your lawn this fall! Sulfur is a natural fungus control to discourage snow mold and other funguses. It also helps lawns bounce back more quickly in the spring, balances the pH level in the soil, and is a vital component in keeping your lawn healthy through the entire year! Give us a call to sign up!
 - ☐ **Fall Overseed:** Turf is pretty resilient, but if your lawn has thin or damaged areas, an overseed is a good idea. Fall is the best time to overseed in the PNW, but it must be done a few weeks prior to a hard, consistent freeze. Since we no longer offer this service, we have made a factsheet with detailed instructions so you can do it yourself. Email or give us a call to get this information!
 - ☐ **Fall Deep Root Feed for Trees & Shrubs:** A Fall Deep Root Feed is one of the best things you can do for your trees and shrubs! It's an all-natural application that gives your trees and shrubs a boost of nutrients to help them weather the winter better and bounce back more quickly in the spring. Give us a call to sign up!
 - ☐ **Fall Mowing & Final Mow:** In order to give your lawn a chance to bounce back from the summer, continue mowing at a taller height (2½ to 3 in.) until early to mid-October. After that, start to gradually decrease your mow height until you're ready to do your final mow of the season. Mow your lawn short (between ¾ and 1¼ inches) for its final mow by November 15th.
 - ☐ **Deep Water Trees & Shrubs:** Deep watering trees and shrubs in the fall helps them prepare for winter. It's hard for trees to get water from frozen ground, and a dry root ball can cause winter damage. Do your final deep water after the leaves fall but before the ground freezes.
 - ☐ **Fall Clean-Up:** It is very important to clean all leaves and other fall debris off of your lawn and out of your flower beds before winter. Leaves left on lawns and in beds over winter can suffocate plants and promote disease.
 - ☐ **Winterize Sprinklers:** Always winterize (blow out) your sprinklers to avoid winter damage! As a reminder, we no longer offer Sprinkler Services. If you aren't already scheduled for a sprinkler blow out, you can call us for our sprinkler company recommendation. You will want to do this early as sprinkler blow out lists fill up fast!
 - ☐ **Hoses:** Make sure your house is equipped with frost-free hose bibs. If it's not, you can get a kit at any hardware store. Drain hoses and store indoors to avoid damage from freezing or pests.
 - ☐ **Prepare Roses:** Prune roses (no shorter than 18 in.) and insulate them for winter. Hay is best, but you can also use pine needles. Please don't use leaves as they can promote disease.
 - ☐ **Prune Trees & Shrubs:** Fall is a great time to prune trees and shrubs more aggressively. If you do this yourself, consult the [Sunset Pruning Handbook](#) or YouTube for proper pruning techniques. It matters! Or skip the hassle and call us for our pruning company referral!
 - ☐ **ENJOY:** Enjoy this beautiful time in the PNW!
- Have more questions about preparing your property for winter or want to sign up for any of the services above? Call, email, or visit our website! Happy Fall!