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Winterizing tips, refer to the circled picture below. You will need a screwdriver.

When the temperature is going to drop to 32 degrees:

-Shut off water supply valve to the sprinkler system. This is the handle on the copper pipe that goes outside to the backflow preventer. Open the drain next to it (hang a bucket under it).

-Go to the backflow preventer (this is the device located just outside the house on the copper pipe for the sprinklers). You will need to open the test cocks. On PVB's, there are two, on RPA's, there are four. With the screwdriver, turn the test cock 1/4 turn, the slot should now be parallel with the test cock. There are two "shut off" handles on the PVB or RPA, open and close each one three times, leave them 1/2 open when done. Lightly tap on the backflow preventer four to six times to "shake" out any remaining water.

-Current Moore's Irrigation installations have automatic drain in the valve box. Check for manual drains (which must be opened) in valve boxes if installation was done by other or if it is an older Moore's Irrigation installation.

To reactivate the system:

-Close the test cocks on the backflow preventer (PVB or RPA), close the "shut off" valves on the backflow preventer (they are closed when the handle is perpendicular or across the pipe, they are open when the handle is parallel or in line with the pipe).

-Turn your timer to station #1. Close the drain that is inside the house by the sprinkler supply valve. Open the sprinkler supply valve. Go back out to the backflow preventer and open the #1 "shut off" valve, then open the number two shut off valve. Cycle through all stations with the timer to make sure everything functions properly.

