

2019 Street & Utility Improvements

Spring 2020

Boulevard Turf Maintenance



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If you have questions or concerns related to the project at any time, please contact **Dennis Steel**.

Overview

As you know the 2019 Street & Utility Improvement Project was substantially complete in the Fall of 2019 by OMG Midwest, Inc. dba Minnesota Paving & Materials from Rogers, MN.

Following the underground and surface construction the Contractor seeded & fertilized the boulevard areas and installed a hydraulic mulch stabilizer. It was installed last fall in what is classified as 'dormant seeding'. The goal is for the seeds to germinate in the spring of 2020.

It is the Contractors responsibility to achieve seed germination before it becomes the homeowner's responsibility. Final acceptance of seeding shall be based on an established growth of 6.0-inches with uniform density. The Contractor is responsible for watering, mowing, and controlling weeds until the turf establishment has been "accepted" by the City and Engineer.

Please refrain from disturbing the boulevards to allow the seeds ability to grow until the final acceptance.

Turf Maintenance – Homeowner's Responsibilities

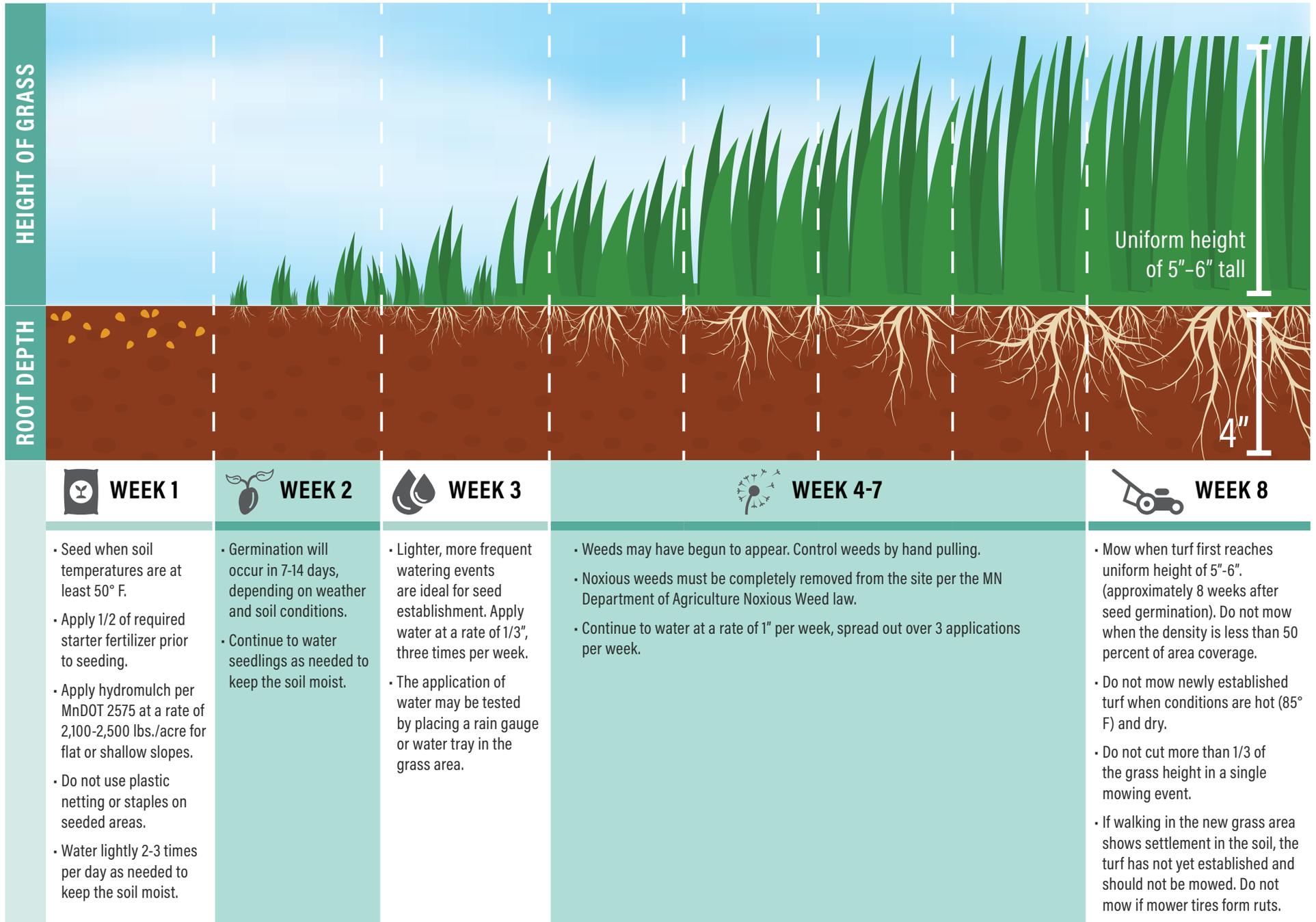
Please ensure that **NO CRABGRASS PREVENTOR** is spread on or immediately adjacent to the newly seeded areas! If it is applied, it will likely kill the new grass.

The following is an informational guide on boulevard turf establishment and maintenance. This is being provided to help outline the expectations of the Contractor along with the property owner in restoring disturbed turf. Attached are a couple of diagrams as visual aids describing the process of turf establishment and initial maintenance.

Please take pride in maintenance of the newly established turf!

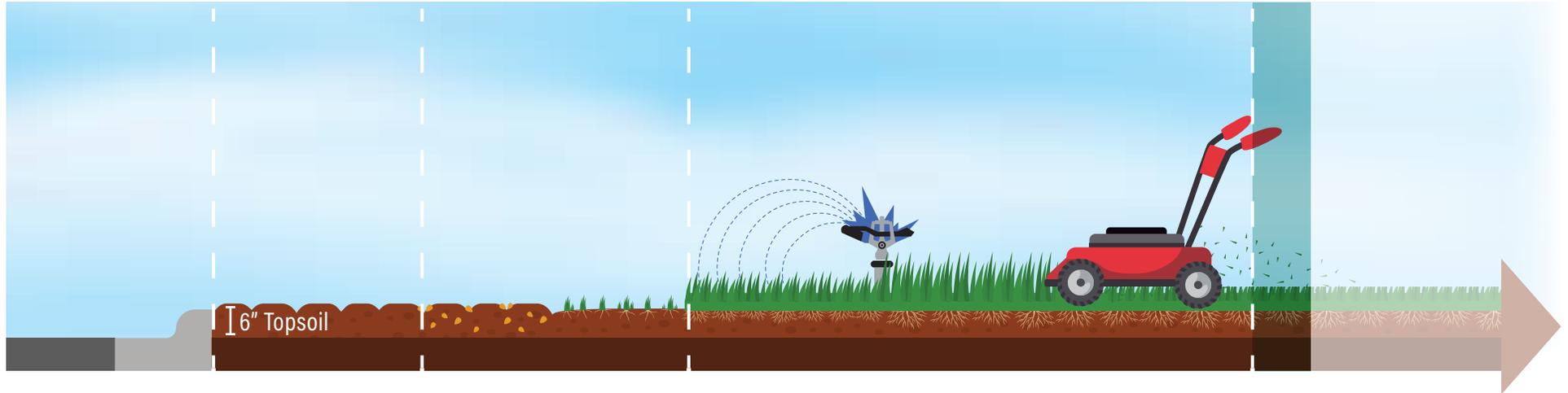


FROM SEED TO TURF





BOULEVARD TURF ESTABLISHMENT - BEST PRACTICES



FINISH ROAD CONSTRUCTION	SOIL PREPARATION	SEEDING OR SODDING	CONTRACTOR CARE AND ESTABLISHMENT	END OF WARRANTY PERIOD	PROPERTY OWNER CARE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All debris must be removed from boulevard. • Till and rake subsoil so it is smooth and even. • Perform walk-through prior to approval 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6" topsoil gives the best results. • Soil will settle, so fill areas high. • If late in season, temporary erosion control may be required until spring. • 8% organic content is goal for soil. • Perform walk-through prior to seeding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine which grass species are appropriate for your site. • Seed will get better long term results but sod gives immediate finished appearance. • Sod is best for erosion prone areas. • Apply half of the recommended fertilizer at seeding (the other half is applied in weeks 6-8). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water seed and seedling to keep from drying during the first 14 days. • Light watering 2-3 times per day for sod, until roots are established. • When the grass is 6" tall, mow it to 4" high. When it reaches 6" mow it again. Repeat a 3rd time. It can now be mowed with the rest of the lawn. • 70% grass cover required for removal of erosion control measures (NPDES permit). 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turf takes up to 1 year to fully establish from seed. • Communicate with property owner to let them know when they are responsible for care.