

# Logan City Sets Example



A young family enjoys a beautiful Adams Park provided by Weather Reach.

**L**ocated in a high mountain valley in northern Utah is the beautiful community of Cache Valley. With the Wellsville Mountains surrounding it to the west and the 10,000 foot Bear River Range to the east, the city of Logan is full of picturesque views. With the Weather Reach Water Management System in control, its parks are as beautiful as the surrounding mountains.

Weather Reach saved 800,000 gallons of water for the city in one season. And without the need to adjust controllers, the city saved even more time.

With natural beauty surrounding the city, Logan has worked hard to develop an excellent park system, boasting one of Utah's two zoos.

But maintaining the beauty of these parks is challenging considering Logan is in a dry climate. Water is

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a scarce commodity with most of its supply coming from natural springs in the mountains.

Logan City turned to Weather Reach for help.

“Anytime there is a way to save on water, we have to do it,” said Russ Akina, Parks and Recreation Department Head.

The city purchased and installed 2 Weather Reach WR7 Receivers at 2 different parks to put them through their own trial.

One receiver was installed at Adams Park. Located in the heart of the city and once the center for athletic events for Utah State University, Adams Park is heavily used by families and residents.

Maintaining a healthy and beautiful landscape for the park is essential. With 5 acres of land and a 16 station controller, Adams Park required a lot of time. Crews adjusted the sprinklers 6 to 8 times a season and shut them off every time it rained.

<b>Installed:</b>	May 2004
<b>% Saved:</b>	32%
<b>Water Saved:</b>	800,000

May to October 2004 compared to same period of 2003. Water measured in gallons.

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Weather Reach automatically adjusts the schedule according to the current weather conditions. It goes beyond merely shutting off the sprinklers in the rain. It actually measures the rain to calculate the needs of the landscape postponing watering until it is needed.

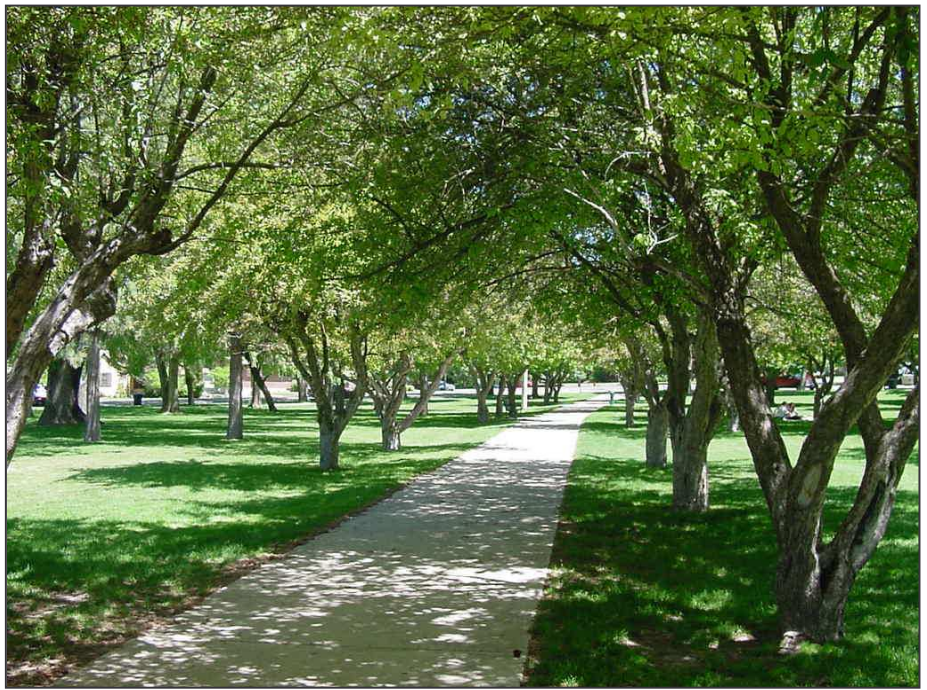
“The system did not water for 18 or 19 days. We would never have shut off the system for that long,” said Stephens, “but the park still looked beautiful.”

Weather drives evaporation and determines how much water is needed by a landscape.

Hourly messages are received by each receiver with up to date weather information from local weather stations.



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A Weather Reach Receiver was installed at the beginning of the 2004 season. By the end of the season, the investment had paid off saving more than 800,000 gallons of water and saving the city hundreds of dollars.

“I think it was a real good move for the city,” said Stephens. “The system paid for itself

within a year. In fact we have now purchased more units and are in the process of installing them at other parks.”

With a WR7 tied directly into each controller, Stephens and his crews can focus on more important tasks.

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<http://www.weatherreach.com>  
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