

# Weather Reach Preserves Pioneer History



*Weather Reach keeps the Washington City cemetery green and beautiful.*

**L**ocated in the Virgin Basin of

southern Utah is a town known for its rich pioneer history.

With blistering heat in the summer and mild temperatures in the winter, Washington City looked to Weather Reach to help protect and beautify its established parks and green strips.

Originally settled to grow cotton, Washington City was the first established community in the Virgin Basin and is now one of the fastest growing communities in southern Utah.

Tremendous growth along with a prolonged drought prompted officials to turn to Weather Reach for help.

Washington City is surrounded by beautiful scenery from colorful sandstone cliffs and black lava rock ridges to pine covered mountains.

Amidst this natural beauty is a system of parks and green strips that makes Washington City a sought after location for many.

Maintaining this beauty in the middle of a desert is no easy task. Adjusting controllers to meet the needs of the various sites was

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time consuming for Parks Superintendent Dave Jordan. It meant trying to figure out just how much water the landscape would need to stay healthy.

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The Weather Reach Water Management System uses current weather conditions to automatically adjust sprinkler schedules and ensure a landscape receives the right amount of water.

“You won’t burn any spots,” said Jordan. “You won’t have to worry about over-watering and you will have deeper roots in your landscape. Weather Reach is great.”

Weather Reach monitors five key weather factors that affect how quickly moisture leaves a landscape; solar energy, temperature, humidity, wind and effective rainfall.

**Installed:** April 2003  
**Time Saved:** 8 hrs per month

Jordan estimates Weather Reach has saved the city more than 30% on its water bill but more in time and money!

By calculating how much moisture leaves the landscape Weather Reach knows how much needs to go back.

The city purchased the Weather Reach Receivers and placed them on the city cemetery and the soccer fields. Jordan estimates he saves more than a days work each month.

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As a water manager, Jordan often had to drive to each site to shut off sprinklers when it rained.

Weather Reach not only keeps sprinklers off when it rains but goes a step further by actually measuring the rain to calculate the needs of the landscape postponing watering until it is needed.



*Soccer fields are kept healthy and green by Weather Reach.*

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

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Weather Reach also provides convenient access to the current weather conditions. The display on the Weather Reach Receiver gives access to temperature, average wind speed and the rainfall for the last 24 hours.

With a Weather Reach Receiver tied directly into each sprinkler controller, Jordan and his crews can focus on more important tasks.

To learn more about the Weather Reach Water Management System visit our website at:

<http://www.irrisoft.net>

or call : (435) 755-0400



*Weather Reach used current weather conditions to keep this field green.*

“It keeps everything looking better because it adjusts automatically like scheduling with Mother Nature. This system is the way to go.”

Weather Reach has freed up more time for Jordan but it goes beyond just managing the sprinklers.

“We can tell when it watered,” said Jordan. “We have a history of when it watered which is