

Air Quality and Overseeding.

How this Affects your Facility.

After meeting with the Maricopa County Air Quality Administration, we are aware that Golf Courses and the **overseeding process** is on their radar for this fall. They have air quality issues with the dander that we create and put in the air as we scalp and vacuum our courses.

Cactus & Pine is committed to keep the County Supervisors from bringing violations to you and your overseeding operations. We have put together, what we call, **Reduction Strategies** to help your overseed operation. These strategies can be found on the Cactus & Pine website at www.cactusandpine.org

The most important of these strategies is for you to know that nearly all of the county inspections are driven by homeowner complaints. So if you solve that issue, you probably won't see the county personnel at your facility.

A few ideas, where possible, let your homeowners know when you are overseeding. That alone may stop some of the complaints as many times homeowners just had their back yards cleaned and then you come through and dust them out. That would make me mad too. But if I know your coming, I will wait to clean my backyard after you have gone through. Another idea is to tell them, if they have an issue, to call you. If they have a contact person, they are less likely to call the county to get their problem taken care of. And of course tell them the importance of overseeding and how it helps them to have a better homeowner experience verses the dormant turf during the winter months. Communication is Key!

Please go to our website to see the rest of the strategies and let's keep the county happy and your operations moving smoothly through overseeding. We will have more on your facilities, air quality and Maricopa County soon.

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