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It's been 84 years...

Drought Conditions & Sod

Rose may have been reminiscing on the time that's lapsed since the Titanic tragically struck an iceberg; but we're over here reminiscing on the last decent rainfall we received. It sure as heck feels like it's been about 84 years.

If you've been on a job site recently, you know the dust struggles everyone is up against. Have you received a phone call from the EPA about dust on your job? If not, you're one of the lucky ones.

While you see the dust & how dry your job sites are, what you don't see is how dry the sod fields are. When you're looking at Bahia, it's a naturally growing pasture grass. Bahia is cheap & not very pretty because it isn't maintained - there's no irrigation, fertilization, etc. that goes into the care of other sod varieties. While other varieties are being irrigated throughout these hot, dry times, (cont'd page 2)

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Bahia is just sitting in a pasture cooking. Now, that being said, where other varieties lack, Bahia thrives. If you're receiving healthy (albeit dry) Bahia, it will bounce back with proper maintenance.

Don't be surprised if your Bahia arrives on-site & doesn't look luscious & green - unfortunately, unless you're going to wait for the rainy season to start, that's just what Bahia is going to look like for the near future.

What does that mean? You better get your water trucks ready (or call to schedule one of ours before they are all booked up) because it is going to need a ton of water to green up & root in. As soon as we leave your job after installing, water it. The next day? Water it. Soaked in all the water from the last time you watered it? Water it. I think you get the hint here.



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Hurricane Ian Repair Work

Last fall after Hurricane Ian tragically struck the State of Florida & wreaked havoc throughout miles of roadway, residential, commercial & recreation areas, the state came together to help each other through the trying time.

Within days of the Hurricane's landfall, our employees were on-site, working 7 days a week alongside our contractor customers, to do everything they could to get life back to normal, a main component & priority being safe roadways for emergency personnel, healthcare workers, volunteers & local residents. I'm sure you all saw photos & videos of collapsed bridges & caved in roads during those times.

What many people don't understand is that hurricane clean up & repairs are still ongoing. While many lives have gone back to normal, many are still suffering the aftermath of the storm. Our crews were on-site just last week on Toledo Blade in North Port working alongside Ajax to stabilize I-75's shoulder area, along with the bank of a 12' deep canal.