

Golf Course Superintendent's Report

February 10, 2017

Our weather station has recorded 23.54 inches of rainfall during the first 7 months of the 2016-2017 rainfall monitoring season which began on 7/1/16. During the first 7 days of this month 6.32" of rainfall has been recorded.

Both golf courses have continued to suffer greatly following receiving such a high amount of rainfall. The heavy clay based soil that supports our turf is completely saturated. A layer of standing water remains the surface of the majority of our turf areas for several days following rainfall. The turf areas are simply too wet and slippery for individuals to safely walk on which has made it necessary to close the golf courses for extended periods of time.

Because cold weather followed most of the rain events the grass has not grown at a rate beyond our mowing ability while using our lighter mowers.

So far during 2017 we have lost 5 trees during the stormy weather.

Wet soil conditions that have continued to exist during the past 6 weeks has made it necessary to suspend our bunker renovation work.

During January we were able to install perforated pipe and gravel drain lines along and crossing the cart path on the 10th tee on Dollar Ranch.

