



San Antonio Water System (SAWS)

Texas A &M and Turf Producers of Texas

On Drought Tolerance & Drought Resistance

Summary

- Objective: to identify turf varieties that have demonstrated “summer dormancy” capabilities. i.e.: the ability to survive without water for a period of 60 consecutive days between the months of May and September
- 25 turf varieties planted in Sept 2005
- No Irrigation from July 23 through September 20, 2006 (the hottest 60 days on record in San Antonio)
- 60 day recovery period (September 21 through November 19, 2006)

Results

- EMPIREturf demonstrated “Summer Dormancy” during the drought period
- EMPIREturf was the top rated zoysiagrass after the recovery period

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