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Smart controller technology is now easily available to individual homeowners with a variety of products to choose from. Installing a Smart controller can help homeowners address the rising costs and increasing restrictions on landscape water use!

MAKING THE SWITCH IS EASY

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- **Set it up once and it adjusts itself all year**
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