NMSU STUDY ON N

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A multi-year New Mexico State University study determined how N fertilization impacts the amount of water certain grasses need to have acceptable quality — specifically Kentucky bluegrass, tall fescue, buffalograss and bermudagrass. Higher N required less water to maintain the same level of quality, but N source had only moderate influence. Contact Ryan Goss, Ph.D., assistant professor of turfgrass science at ryangoss@nmsu.edu for more information.

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Glen R. Obear on iron layering in two-tiered putting greens (see full story on page 55)