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Evapotranspiration (ET) is the combined water loss from a plant community as a result of evaporation from the soil and transpiration from plant surfaces. Its impact on the efficiency of water use can be moderated through diligent management practices.

The following lists some suggestions for water conservation in turf management:

1. Do not stimulate rapid shoot growth during periods of high water demand. This will accelerate ET and increase water use. Avoid nitrogen applications when dry, hot conditions are anticipated. It is better to concentrate nitrogen usage during the spring and fall.

2. Stimulate root growth. Increase mowing height, reduce nitrogen fertility, ensure good soil aeration.

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