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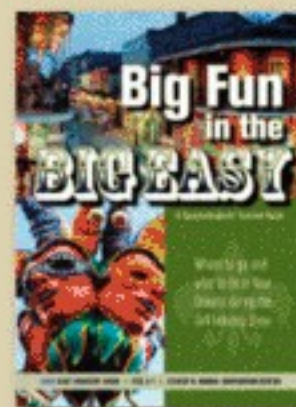
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Art Director Kristen Morabito found this classy image from iStock International Inc. to illustrate our year-end theme.

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While most superintendents consider themselves responsible users of water, they realize they can do even more to be better stewards. Also, a look at undoing overseeding to reduce water use.

**By Larry Aylward and Anthony Pioppi**

