

# LM REPORTS

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## MOWERS



### QuikTrak M series

The new QuikTrak M series of stand-on, zero-turn mowers—the 636M, 648M and 652M—offer a lightweight, compact footprint for easy maneuverability. The series is available with 36-, 48- or 52-in. (pictured), 7-gauge fabricated floating steel decks. In addition to flat-free front tires and sealed front caster bearings, the mowers offer a quick height of cut adjustment and a two-year, unlimited hour commercial warranty.

**John Deere** // [JohnDeere.com/MowPro](http://JohnDeere.com/MowPro)



### Stander ZK

The Stander ZK has deck widths of 52 and 61 in. and engines up to 31 hp. Decks are deeper; wheels are larger; fuel capacity is greater than the traditional Stander, and the ZK can mow at speeds up to 13.5 mph. It's also equipped with Wright's Rapid Height Adjustment, which lets the operator raise or lower the cutting height without getting off the mower.

**Wright Manufacturing** // [WrightMfg.com](http://WrightMfg.com)



### Mower attachment

The Bobcat front-mounted mower attachment cuts grass before it's driven over, allowing improved working visibility of the area to be mowed. The frame design allows the mower to oscillate independently to follow uneven terrain. It's available in 71.5- and 89.5-in. cutting widths to mow everything from roadside ditches to large acreages.

**Bobcat Co.** // [Bobcat.com/attachments/mower](http://Bobcat.com/attachments/mower)



### Propane Mower Incentive Program

PERC continues its Propane Mower Incentive Program in 2014. Landscape professionals can receive \$1,000 toward the purchase of qualifying propane mowers or \$500 toward eligible conversions of gasoline- or diesel-powered mowers. Data collected through the program is used for new product development.

**Propane Education & Research Council** // [PoweredByPropane.org](http://PoweredByPropane.org)

## Rear-mount mowers

Kioti rear-mount mowers are designed to mount to any tractor and float to follow uneven contours. Each mower is built with heavy-duty steel to meet Kioti's quality standards. Ranging from 60 in. to 84 in., the mowers offer the ability to navigate any terrain, the company says.

**Kioti** // [Kioti.com](http://Kioti.com)



## Altoz

With a top speed of 19 mph, the 2014 Altoz XC Z line of zero-turn mowers features the Aero Deck High Output System and Gator Mulcher G6 blades. The line, which includes the XC 720 Z (pictured), XC 610 Z and XC 540 Z models, also offers the SmarTrak Monitoring System, a digital RPM gauge, alarm protection and an on-board clock.

**Altoz** // [Altoz.com](http://Altoz.com)



## Lazer Z X-Series

Exmark expanded the availability of its exclusive RED on-board intelligence technology to Lazer Z X-Series models with 52-in. UltraCut Series 6 cutting decks. Sixty- and 72-in. cutting decks are also available. RED technology is designed to provide increased durability with an exclusive clutch saver feature and intelligent monitoring of vital engine parameters such as engine temperature and oil pressure.

**Exmark Manufacturing** // [Exmark.com](http://Exmark.com)

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## Z Master Professional 5000 series

The Toro Z Master Professional 5000 series has two new models with rear discharge decks. Featuring Toro's Turbo Force cutting deck with 7-gauge steel, cast iron spindle housings and high-strength steel blades, the mowers are available in 60- and 72-in. cutting widths. The decks are designed with two blades rotating clockwise and one blade rotating counterclockwise to spread clippings evenly through the rear discharge port.

**The Toro Co.** // [Toro.com/professional](http://Toro.com/professional)



## Tank series

Ideal for mowing properties up to 15 acres, the Tank SZ (pictured) and LZ feature an integrated 14cc Commercial Drive System that provides high operating efficiency power to the deck and durability. The mowers feature cooler run temperatures that increase transmission life, the company says. They are capable of ground speeds at 11 mph forward and 5 mph reverse.

**Cub Cadet** // [CubCadet.com](http://CubCadet.com)



## Electronic fuel injection mowers

New Grasshopper EFI mowers feature Delphi-based, closed-loop engines that monitor internal and external factors and make automatic adjustments to maintain an optimum fuel ratio. Automotive-style plug-in diagnostics facilitate faster and more precise service. Models 327 EFI and 727T EFI accept side-discharge cutting decks up to 72 in. as well as dedicated rear discharge decks and PowerVac Collection Systems.

**The Grasshopper Co.** // [GrasshopperMower.com](http://GrasshopperMower.com)



## Pro-Turn 400

Gravely introduces Kawasaki big block engine options to the Pro-Turn 400 zero-turn mower lineup. The mowers also feature the industry's first air-suspension seat and a new effortless deck lift, the company says. A rubber isolated foot platform minimizes vibration for a more comfortable ride. Each gas and diesel mower has a 13.4-gal. fuel capacity.

**Gravely** // [Gravely.com](http://Gravely.com)

## IRRIGATION CONTROLLERS



### WeatherTRAK Budget Manager

The new WeatherTRAK Budget Manager uses a real-time, online dashboard to track actual or estimated water use against budget, analyze trends and share budget-related reports with property and operations teams to quickly identify site issues between water bill cycles. It also can be used to assess the conservation potential for additional landscape investment projects, such as high-efficiency nozzles.

**HydroPoint Data Systems** // [HydroPoint.com](http://HydroPoint.com)



### Evolution

Toro's new Evolution controller features shortcut buttons with quick access to basic functions, while the advanced menu is shown on a graphics display that navigates similar to many modern consumer electronic devices. Use a standard USB drive to transfer programming to one or more controllers quickly and easily. The USB drive also provides controller logging functionality to save an operation log for diagnostic purposes.

**The Toro Co.** // [ToroEvolution.com](http://ToroEvolution.com)



### CONNECT

The McCrometer CONNECT system can help monitor flow, soil moisture, weather, water quality, evapotranspiration and other critical inputs. Access data from a tablet, smartphone or personal computer and receive notifications via email, text or voice mail on irrigation system performance or when changes in environmental conditions occur. A range of sensors, communications systems and accessories for design flexibility are available. Local dealers provide service and support.

**McCrometer** // [McCrometer.com](http://McCrometer.com)

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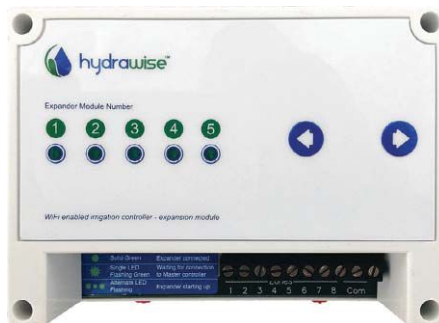
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## ESP-SMTe

Rain Bird's ESP-SMTe is an enhanced version of its ESP-SMT weather-based irrigation control device. It consists of two key components: a controller chassis with an integrated smart panel and an on-site weather station that includes a temperature sensor with an integrated solar shield and a tipping rain bucket for instantaneous rainfall measurement. It's expandable to 22 zones.

**Rain Bird** // [RainBird.com](http://RainBird.com)



## 8 Zone Expansion Module

Hydrawise's new 8 Zone Expansion Module takes a single controller's capacity to 16 zones. It plugs into the connector on the side of an existing controller and allows the expansion module to be placed in a different location to the main controller. All second-generation Hydrawise controllers (sold since March 2013) support the new module. A future upgrade is under development to allow up to 48 zones, the company says.

**Hydrawise** // [Hydrawise.com](http://Hydrawise.com)

## I-Core 3.0

The new version of the I-Core irrigation controller features a Solar Sync dial position and allows all sensor setup functions from the main control panel. The controller also permits a Solar Sync Delay feature, allowing the installer to specify a number of days before the controller switches to automatic adjustment mode.

**Hunter Industries** // [HunterIndustries.com](http://HunterIndustries.com)



## HARDSCAPE SUPPLIES

### StormPave

While it looks almost exactly like Pine Hall's classic English Edge paver that's been installed for decades across the U.S., StormPave is a different: It's permeable. Rainwater goes in between the pavers and is held in a bed of aggregates underneath until it's absorbed into the ground..

**Pine Hall Brick Co.** // [PineHallBrick.com](http://PineHallBrick.com)



### Borealis

Techo-Bloc offers the Borealis wood plank concrete slab. The new modular 5-in.-wide slabs are available in Sauvignon Oak, Hazelnut Brandy and Smoked Pine.

**Techo-Bloc** // [Techo-Bloc.com](http://Techo-Bloc.com)



### BT60, BT65 and BVT65

BOMAG's new line of vibratory tampers includes the BT60, BT65 and BVT65. The tampers combine low operating weights with compaction performance to optimize productivity and ease of operation in applications such as trench construction and landscaping, among others. These models range in weight from 128 pounds to 150 pounds and in impact force from 3,372 pounds to 3,822. Each model is powered by a 4-cycle Honda engine with recoil starter.

**BOMAG** // [Bomag.com](http://Bomag.com)



### Mega-Tandem Mass Segmental Retaining Wall

The Mega-Tandem MSRW system provides the natural appearance of chiseled stone and can be used to create curved or straight retaining and freestanding landscape walls. Available in 12-in.-by-24-in. panels weighing 65 lbs. apiece, the system has a running bond configuration so no patterns are required. It's offered in three color blends and 12 different facial textures.

**Belgard Hardscapes** // [BelgardCommercial.com](http://BelgardCommercial.com)



### Bradco Hardscape Grapple

Mount the new Bradco Hardscape Grapple on skid-steer loaders, compact tool carriers and compact tractors to handle materials such as concrete paver sections, small boulders and granite/limestone/concrete steps. As a hydraulically powered alternative to forks, pry bars and brute strength, the attachment's grapple arms and rubber grips adjust automatically to the shape and contour of the material being grasped without additional positioning.

**Paladin Attachments** // [PaladinAttachments.com](http://PaladinAttachments.com)

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