Mojave Desert A.W.A.C.
Prototypical Front Yard
Native Plant and Wildlife Front Yard Landscape

Original Landscape

New Water-Efficient Landscape

Planting Palette

Trees

Screwbean Mesquite
(Prosopis pubescens)

Blue Palo Verde
(Parkinsonia florida)

Desert Willow
(Chilopsis linearis)

Cats Claw Acacia
(Acacia greggii)

Large Shrubs

Desert Almond
(Prunus fasciculata)

Bigberry Manzanita
(Arctostaphylos glauca)

Toyon
(Heteromeles arbutifolia)

Hollyleaf Cherry
(Prunus ilicifolia)

Creosote
(Larrea tridentata)

Sugar Bush
(Rhus ovata)

Medium/Small Shrubs

Accents

Ocotillo
(Fouquieria splendens)

Deer Grass
(Muhlenbergia rigens)

White Sage
(Salvia apiana)

Desert Mallow
(Sphaeralcea ambigua)

Desert Marigold
(Baileya multiradiata)

Mojave Yucca
(Yucca schidigera)

Bladderpod
(Isomeris arborea)

Brittle Bush
(Encelia farinosa)
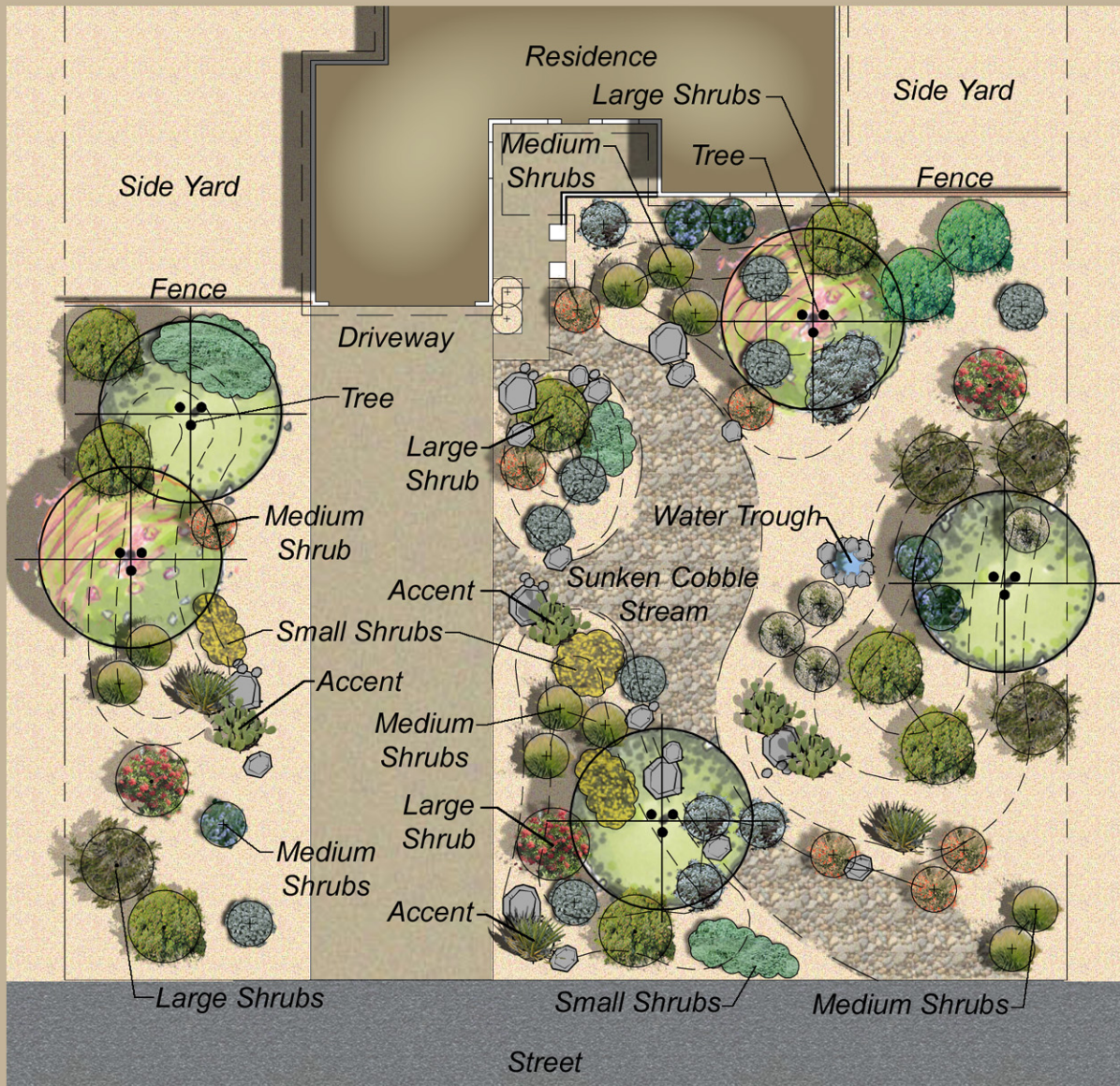
California Buckwheat
(Eriogonum fasciculatum)

Beaver Tail
(Opuntia basilaris)

Front Yard Planting Plan

Residence

Side Yard

Side Yard

Large Shrubs

Medium Shrubs

Tree

Fence

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Driveway

Tree

Large Shrub

Water Trough

Medium Shrub

Sunken Cobble Stream

Accent

Small Shrubs

Medium Shrubs

Large Shrub
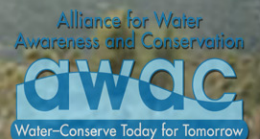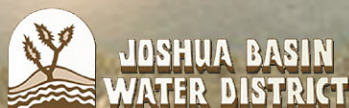
Accent

Medium Shrubs

Large Shrubs

Small Shrubs

Medium Shrubs

Street

Landscape Narrative

A Garden with native plants provides habitat and food for small animals, birds, and butterflies. A water source is also important for wildlife, so place a small trough or birdbath within your garden. Provide a variety of cover for the wildlife. Bushes, trees, boulders, and logs form places that provide nesting sites, food, and hiding places for the birds and other small wildlife. Most of the small creatures do not like full cover. They need some areas of bare ground in the garden, usually with decomposed granite, sand, or other semi-loose soil. This open area can be planted with annual sun-loving wildflowers like Poppies, Chia, and Lupines, that will shrivel and disappear after flowering leaving a nice scattering of seeds in the open ground for the seed-loving wildlife.

Drip Irrigation

Drip irrigation can help you use water efficiently!

Smart Controller Using Real Time Weather Data

Gate Valve

Automatic Controll Valve
(Use Valve, Pressure Regulator, and Filter for Drip Zones.)

In-Line Check-Valve
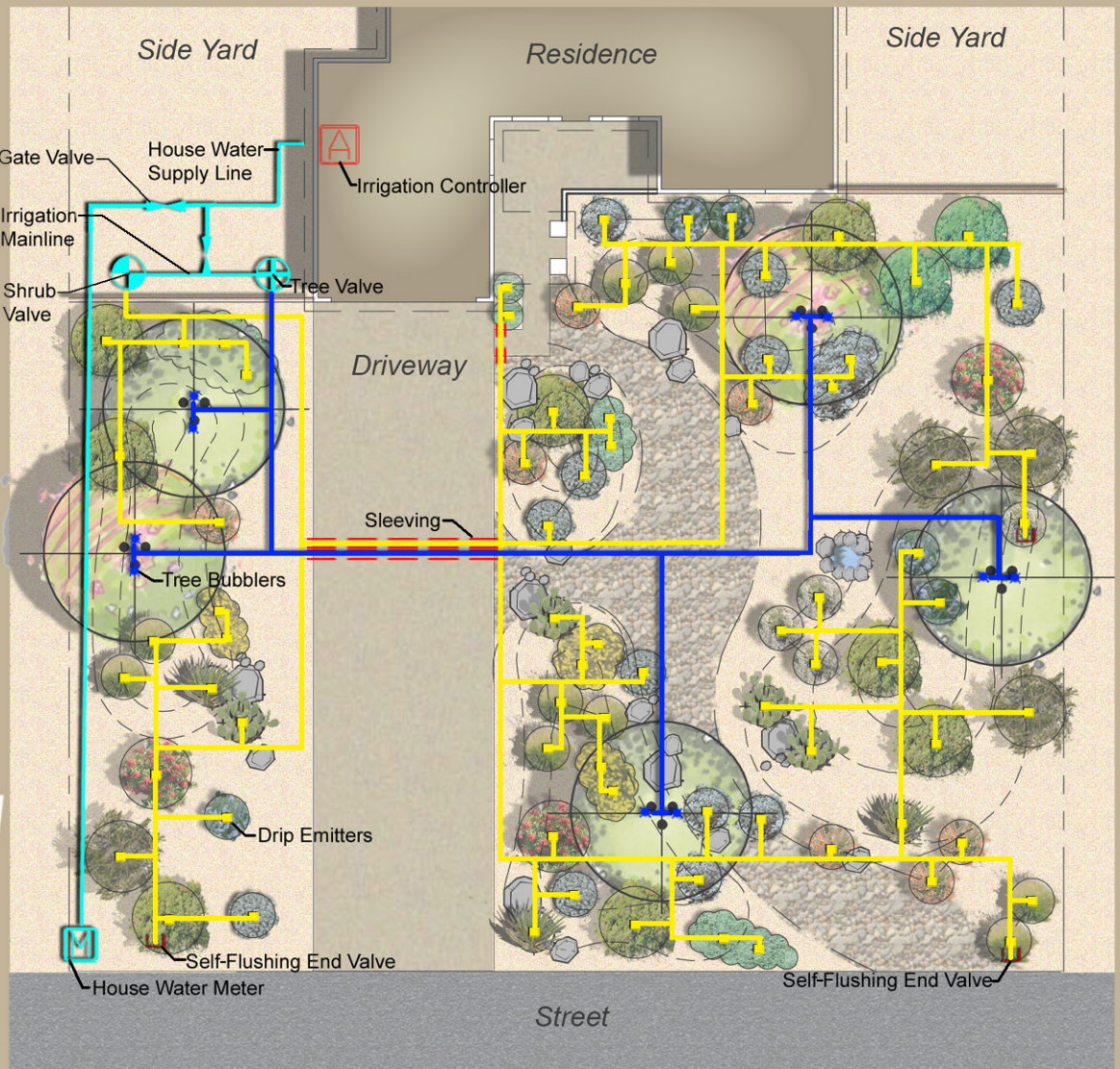(Use on all slope areas and lowest heads)

Pressure-Compensating Emitters

Fixed-Flow Bubbler

Self-Flushing End Valve

Diagram labels

Side Yard

Residence

Side Yard

Gate Valve

House Water Supply Line

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Irrigation Controller

Irrigation Mainline

Shrub Valve

Tree Valve

Driveway

Tree Bubblers

Sleeving

Drip Emitters

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House Water Meter

Self-Flushing End Valve

Self-Flushing End Valve

Street

* Irrigation system is temporary and should be turned off after plant material is established