

Dear GCSAA Member Superintendents and Friends,

GCSAA needs your help. The Energy Use and Environmental Practices survey deadline is quickly approaching. This survey aims to gather critical information on energy use and environmental practices across the entire golf course facility. Your board of directors asks for your help by completing and promoting this important survey. Your participation is key to this survey's success.

Your investment of time in this survey will help GCSAA advocate on behalf of the golf course industry and superintendent profession. The factual, science based data collected from the Golf Course Environmental Profile series of surveys enables GCSAA to represent our industry with authority. In the absence of factual data, regulators and the media will use information "others" provide to them that may further contribute to misconceptions about golf course management.

The Energy Use and Environmental Practices survey is available at gcsaa.org or through [this survey link](#). Take the survey before December 12 to contribute your facility's information to our second phase energy survey. Make sure to have your energy totals (electricity (kWH), natural gas (Mcf), fuels (gal), etc.) for all of 2015 on hand to complete the survey. This information is generally found on your monthly energy bills. If you do not have them your energy provider can help you and may be able to provide you a usage report. Be sure to have your meter ID numbers or POD numbers, they will need them. This survey is asking for energy totals for your entire facility plus electricity totals broken out for a couple specific areas, such as your irrigation pump station and golf cart charging, if your club has separate meters for these areas. The survey should only take about 15-20 minutes to complete after you have gathered the required information.

Thank you for participating in this survey and supporting GCSAA's second phase of The Golf Course Environmental Profile. GCSAA receives its funding for this project through a grant from the Environmental Institute for Golf and specifically from the generous support of the United States Golf Association.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter J. Grass". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Peter J. Grass, CGCS

GCSAA President

