

# Step by step instructions for closing up your backflow prevention device before a spring start up of your irrigation system



**Step #1—**Locate the backflow prevention device on the outside of your home



**Step #2—**Locate the blow out port on the backflow prevention device.

**Step #3—**Locate the plug for the blow out port (usually hanging in a bag from the backflow prevention device)

**Step #4—**Wrap the plug with Teflon tape or pipe thread sealant. Min 2 times around with tape

**Step #5—**Insert the plug into the blow out port, and tighten with wrench. This plug does not have to be overly tight, just enough to seal the plug. You can always tighten after water is applied.



**Step #6—**Turn the bottom shut off handle 90 degrees to the pipe as shown in the picture. After this step you can turn on the water in the home.

**Architectural Concepts Irrigation** will take care of the rest of the start up for you.

*Note... Not all backflow prevention devices look the same. They all have the same mechanical features, just in different set ups.*