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Landscaper Workshops Scheduled in Arcadia, Irvine: 'Get Ahead or Get Parched: 6 Ways To Survive the Drought'

SACRAMENTO – Two more workshops for professional landscapers have been scheduled in Southern California to help them efficiently manage water during the ongoing drought. Landscape watering is a prime conservation opportunity, since improperly managed outdoor watering can be exceptionally wasteful.

The Arcadia workshop will be offered in English from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 29 at the Los Angeles Arboretum and Botanic Garden, 301 N. Baldwin Avenue, Arcadia.

The Irvine workshop is scheduled for Thursday, July 31 in the Irvine Civil Center Council Chamber, 1 Civic Center Plaza in Irvine. Registration has been closed for the morning English session due to high demand. The session in Spanish will be held from noon to 3:30 p.m.

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the California Center for Urban Horticulture (CCUH) at the University of California, Davis are sponsoring the workshops to educate professional landscapers on reducing water use through improved system efficiency. The workshops are titled "Get Ahead or Get Parched: Six Ways to Survive the Drought."

All sessions will include presentations on water conservation rebate programs and irrigation management for mature trees. Also covered will be information on understanding precipitation rates to reduce runoff, improving sprinkler distribution uniformity to reduce water use, improving controller programs during mandatory water restrictions, determining application rates and precipitation rates of drip/micro irrigation, understanding soils to reduce runoff or deep percolation and understanding water meters to improve irrigation efficiency.

Registration links are at <http://ccuh.ucdavis.edu>. Call 530-752-6642 for information. The \$20 registration fee includes an attendance certificate that can be used to obtain Continuing Education Units.

Similar workshops have been held in Roseville, Santa Rosa, San Luis Obispo, Walnut Creek, Fresno, Riverside and San Diego.

Note to Media: CCUH Executive Director Dave Fujino will be available in both cities for on-site interviews; his mobile number is 530-902-6818.



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