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Save the Date

Urban Landscape and Garden Education Expo

FREE

**Saturday, September 24
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

**UC ANR South Coast
Research and
Extension Center**
7601 Irvine Blvd., Irvine



Get all the information you need to create a water efficient landscape. There will be workshops, industry experts, vendors, and landscape displays, as well as hands-on activities for children and adults.

For more information, visit rightscapenow.com/events

How to Get Free Water This Summer

IRWD is giving out free water—well, recycled water. That's right, all IRWD customers are eligible to receive free recycled water to use for non-potable purposes, such as watering your landscape. To date, IRWD customers have taken delivery of more than 180,000 gallons of free recycled water.

To participate, first-time visitors must provide a California driver license, an IRWD water bill and a completed application form. Customers must also provide their own containers.

For complete program rules and information and to fill out an application online, visit irwd.com/recycled.



IRWD Recycled Water Filling Station

**15600 Sand Canyon Ave.
Irvine**

Hours of Operation

Monday: 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Tuesday: 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Wednesday: 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Thursday: 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Friday: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.*
Sunday: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.*

*Closed between 12:30 p.m. and 1 p.m. for lunch. The Station is also closed during rain or excessive heat.



Information About Your Bill

August bills will reflect Fiscal Year 2016–17 water and sewer rates. To learn more about rates, water budgets and how IRWD charges for water and sewer service, please visit irwd.com/rates-charges.

Sign Up: Fall Resident Tours

Friday, October 14 • 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 15 • 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

IRWD Ops Center and San Joaquin Marsh
3512 Michelson Drive, Irvine

Come learn everything you ever wanted to know about the water that comes out of your tap! Get a behind-the-scenes look at how water is managed in the IRWD service area. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. Participants must be age 16 years or older to attend.

Sign-ups are required at rightscapenow.com/events.



Volunteer: Inner Coastal Watershed Cleanup Day

Saturday, September 17 • 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
San Diego Creek, IRWD San Joaquin Marsh
5 Riparian View (intersection of Michelson Drive and Harvard Avenue), Irvine

In partnership with Trails 4 All, IRWD will be hosting Inner Coastal Watershed Cleanup Day. Volunteers are needed to help pick up trash before it reaches the shore. Gloves and bags will be provided. Students can receive community service hours for their participation. Wear comfortable shoes, hats, sunscreen and insect repellent.

For more information, email info@irwd.com.



Fire-Resistant Plants

Q: What are some drought friendly *and* fire resistant plants that I can establish in the landscape of my house in the foothills?

A: Good question. IRWD customers who live in the foothill and canyon areas are more vulnerable to fires and would benefit from including fire

resistant plants in their landscape. Below are a few options for homeowners to consider when planting this autumn or winter:

Shrubs

- Monkey flower (*Mimulus sp*)
- California lilac (*Ceanothus sp*)
- Autumn sage (*Salvia greggii*)

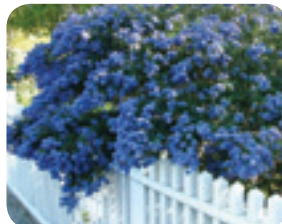
Trees

- Coast live oak (*Quercus agrifolia*)
- California sycamore (*Platanus racemosa*)
- Toyon (*Heteromeles arbutifolia*)

To view photos of these plants and read tips on how to establish them, visit rightscaperesources.com/common.php.

Ground Cover

- Common yarrow (*Achillea*)
- French lavender (*Lavandula dentata*)



California lilac



French lavender

Save the Date

Landscape Workshops

IRWD Multi Purpose Room
15600 Sand Canyon Ave.
Irvine

The Right Plants
Wednesday,
September 14
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Come learn about what plants are the best options for your water efficient landscape, and how to properly care for them.



Fall to Winter Gardening
Wednesday,
September 28
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Learn how to make the transition from fall to winter, garden style!

Sign-ups required:
rightscapenow.com/events

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