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South Bay Residents Can Learn to Make Their Yards Water-Efficient and Ocean-Friendly in FREE Landscape Workshop

REDONDO BEACH— In West Basin's service area, 30-70% of residential water use is outdoors. Permeable pavement, drought-tolerant plants, shredded bark mulch, hose nozzles, and 'smart' weather-based sprinkler controllers are among the tools and landscaping techniques discussed in the Ocean-Friendly Landscape Workshops that can help residents be more efficient with their outdoor water use and reduce runoff.

Don't miss your chance to participate in the next FREE Ocean-Friendly Landscape Workshop on Saturday November, 14, 2009 from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. at the Redondo Beach Library, 303 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Redondo Beach. The class will be taught by G3 LA, the Green Garden Group.

"Turning our yards into climate-appropriate landscapes is one of the smartest things Southern Californians can do to reduce their water use," said Edward C. Little, President of West Basin's Board of Directors. "Through this partnership with Surfrider Foundation, our friends and neighbors are learning valuable information about how to landscape smarter."

Southern California is in the middle of a water crisis and even if this year becomes an El Nino year as predicted, it will not be enough to solve our water shortage problems. Our water system is still broken. We all need to get serious about water conservation to deal with current water supply shortages, long-term weather changes, a growing population and the need to balance the water needs of cities, farmers and the environment.

You can learn how to turn your landscape into an ocean-friendly, more cost-friendly landscape by attending this FREE Ocean-Friendly Landscape Workshop. Call Grace at the SBESC at 310-371-7222, ext. 200 or visit www.sbesc.com to register.