

CONSERVATION CORNER

Pomona Beginner Smart Gardening Workshop



LA County is offering a Beginner Gardening Workshop. Beginner workshops teach students about water wise gardening, composting, and grasscycling. The workshop is on May 12 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm at The Farm at Fairplex (enter at Gate 12 on White Ave.) 2210 N. White Avenue in Pomona, California.

The Importance of Proper Irrigation

Southern Californians use approximately 70% of their water outdoors on irrigation. Since our water supplies must be used wisely, we've compiled a small list of easy tips to save water outdoors.

Listed below are some basic ways to reduce the amount of wasted water outdoors:

- 1) Look at your timer (this should be done with a landscape professional, if you have one), how long are they set for and how many days? If it's more than twenty minutes a WEEK, lower it.
- 2) Turn the system on and examine all heads. Check for broken or missing heads, heads buried under vegetation and tilted heads that may be spraying outside of the target area.
- 3) Check for overspray, while the system is running AND after watering is complete. If there is runoff, the time needs to be lowered and/or the heads need to be adjusted. If water is running off, the grass isn't absorbing it and it is wasted.
- 4) If you do find any of these issues within your irrigation system, please fix them within 48 hours, remember EVERY drop counts.

