

WATERSHED WISE LANDSCAPE PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION



CALLING ALL LANDSCAPE PROFESSIONALS

U.S. EPA WATERSENSE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

The 'new normal' in California landscaping is the watershed approach.
Get on the cutting edge of the future of landscaping.

📅 **MAY 16 & 17, 2016** ⌚ **7:30 AM - 5:30 PM** 📍 **THE GRANGE #644, LOS OLIVOS**

REGISTER NOW

Is the Watershed Wise Landscape Professional Certification For YOU? Ask Yourself These Questions:

- Do you know about the new **local, state and federal regulations providing opportunities for landscape professionals?**
 - Are you designing/installing/maintaining landscapes within **water budgets?**
 - Are you qualified to conduct a **landscape water audit and interpret the results?**
 - Do you know how to team with **Protozoa** for a healthy garden?
 - How do you **sequester carbon in the soil** to create cleaner and more abundant water in the landscape?
 - Are you using **rainwater as a resource?**
 - Can you explain to your clients why the watershed wise method is important?
 - Do you want to set yourself apart by being on **the cutting edge** of these strategies?
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WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

The US EPA Water Sense Certified [Watershed Wise Landscape Professional \(WWLP\)](#) Workshop, being held May 16 & 17 in Los Olivos, CA builds your critical thinking skills for evaluating landscapes and making water efficient, carbon sequestering, and storm water reducing renovation decisions. The workshop covers the essential math and science underlying sustainable landscaping principles and builds your confidence so you can leave the class ready to use the knowledge in your projects or help spread the word to other professionals. The class includes a landscape water audit and site evaluation experience to reinforce and apply the theories learned in the classroom.

In the WWLP you will learn how to:

1. Conduct a landscape water audit and site assessment
2. Design projects within water budgets using plant factor design
3. Utilize the soil food web to remove lawn and build living soil without chemicals
4. Develop a stormwater pollution prevention plan and zero dry-weather runoff strategy
5. Calculate irrigation run time and precipitation rate using plant/soil/water information

Designers, engineers, contractors – **can you answer the following questions?** If not, don't fret. This training is for you.

- How much water in gallons can you save a client by 1) changing the irrigation system, 2) changing the plant palette, 3) building living soil, 4) capturing rainwater on site?
 - What is the landscape water budget? How much water does your designed landscape require?
 - What role do protozoa play in enhancing soil moisture (Plant Available Water), and how do you increase the protozoa in your soil?
 - How can a drip irrigation system produce runoff as frequently as a spray irrigation system?
 - How many days should there be between irrigation cycles? (without looking at a chart or using a rule of thumb). How long should the irrigation system be run?
 - How much rainwater can be gathered from a site and used beneficially in the landscape?
 - How large should your rain garden be, and where do you place it?
 - How do you make fungi work for you in the landscape?
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WHY SHOULD YOU TAKE THIS COURSE?

Certified professionals will be added to a searchable list of landscape specialists as well as the EPA WaterSense National Directory. This training and certification will help you do your job better during this intense time of drought and set you apart from the competition.

Right now, there is NO mandate, locally or statewide that requires such a certification. It is a knowledge and confidence-based training to prepare you for the new normal of California landscaping, which is the watershed approach. **Commercial and public projects and new development will require third-party certification of the Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (Water Budgets) — this certification qualifies individuals for providing those third-party site audits.** But, more importantly, as evidenced by the fact that a Model Ordinance has been in place for almost 23 years and we still are wasting water and generating pollution in our waterways, the industry has got to change. That is only going to happen if professionals are able to think critically in the field and **explain** to their clients why this is the new normal in California.

If agencies are spending money to educate homeowners and property owners, professionals need to be able to provide services that meet the new demand. In order to serve our communities and water agencies through conservation messaging, we must be in dialogue with clients and awake to the environmental realities of California landscaping.

REGISTER TODAY

[Register today](#) for our Watershed Wise Professional Landscape Certification being held on May 16 & 17 in Los Olivos at waterwisesb.org/workshops. The “Pay it Forward” price of the workshop is only \$75 dollars, meaning the participant is agreeing to assist Santa Barbara County Water Agency, RWEF and it’s contractors, on an as-needed basis and to the best of their ability, in promoting and marketing its Water-Wise Landscape Workshops, and/or assisting G3 in organizing and administering the homeowner-focused Water-Wise Basics Classes and Design Seminars.

Participants who do not agree to ‘Pay It Forward’ may select a discounted \$200.00 ticket, provided participants verify their living/working address is within Santa Barbara County.

TESTIMONIALS

G3 manages to make WELO, MAWA and ETo calculations fun and easy to grasp! Taking the (CCW) class was invaluable as topics span from how to feed soil microbes to the recharge of aquifers. Pamela is truly remarkable; with humor and passion she effortlessly teaches the concepts, the reality, the reasons why, as well as the practical knowledge of “How to do it”! [L. Castner, Water Conservation Professional – Huntington, CA](#)

I have had the pleasure of attending both the Watershed Basics Class and Core Concepts Workshop with G3. Both classes were as educational as they were entertaining. The teacher knows how to keep the class engaged and involved by creatively getting attendees to morph from spectators to participants through fun group activities both in the lecture hall as well as into the garden where we all want to be learning in a hands-on participatory environment. [Tim M., Educator – Redondo Beach, CA](#)

(The CCW) was super informative and fun to take part in such a revolutionary way to manage stormwater runoff, recharge aquifers, and filter contaminants in one fell swoop! The Ocean Friendly Gardens concept time has come, and we appreciate your promotion of the action! [Surfers Without Borders – Santa Barbara, CA](#)
