



Soil Management To Conserve Water

Friday, October 30 2015, 9am – 12Noon

Superintendent's House, Summerland Ornamental Gardens,
4200 Hwy 97S, Summerland

Join us for a free presentation.

Everyone is welcome!

There will be a break with refreshments.

Session Description

Look around, many plants are showing symptoms of water stress. Improper watering is the # 1 reason for plant problems in landscapes. What factors help the trees and shrubs during periods of drought? This technical session will focus on soil manipulation to improve water retention and uptake by plants. Mario will discuss practices that landscapers can implement immediately. Topics discussed will include:

- Understand the impact of glomalin for water retention in the soil
- Use soil biology to improve soil aggregation and water use
- Understand the role of mycorrhizal fungi in healthy soils
- Review relevant information from a recent scientific meeting on mycorrhizal fungi

Presenter

Mario Lanthier, Crop Health Advising & Research, Kelowna

Mario has been working in the horticulture industry since 1980. His company provides services in horticulture, agronomy and arboriculture for urban settings and agriculture production throughout Western Canada. They build practical programs for pest management, soil management, water quality, pruning, hazardous trees, planting sites and construction sites. Mario is a 'bugologist' (a friend of bugs) who thinks compost is great and soil microbes are cool.

For more information about Mario and Crop Health Advising, visit www.crophealth.com.



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