



## Municipal Stormwater Education & Outreach Blog: April 2024

This is a once-a-month E&O blog for municipal stormwater permittees across the state of Washington. It is put out by the Washington Stormwater Center's Statewide E&O Coordinator and is designed to be brief, so it can be easily read. It contains one or two E&O topics: links to information, success stories, documents or trainings, etc. Thank you for your continued efforts to protect the waters of our state! By: Anne Melrose

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### Educational Videos for Landscapers in Spanish and English On Earth Day 2024



**Happy Earth Day!** Today we celebrate a place close to all of our hearts, a place we call Home. To continue to improve our ability to encourage others to care for this home, here are some additional educational tools to add to your toolkit.

One of our Columbia River watershed E&O partners in Oregon, the [Clean Rivers Coalition](#) (CRC), provided EPA Columbia River Toxic Reduction grant funds to [Northwest Center for](#)

[Alternatives to Pesticides](#) (NCAP) to create **Lawn Care "How to" videos for Spanish speaking small business landscapers.**

Before the videos were made, NCAP, funded by the Metro Regional government, created a landscaper survey to find out if they used Weed and Feed as part of their lawn care and research revealed that about half of the n=42 landscapers surveyed did use Weed and Feed.

Key goals were to **improve Landscaper knowledge of lawn care best practices**, the use of personal protective equipment and the reduction of the amount of Weed and Feed being used by Landscapers. Deliverables included videos, in-person trainings, and digital trainings. For more information email Sharalyn Peterson from NCAP at: [speterson@pesticide.org](mailto:speterson@pesticide.org).

The CRC also collaborated with Oregon State University (OSU) Extension Service to create ["How to" Residential Lawn Care Video in Spanish.](#), and ["How to" Residential Lawn Care Video in English.](#)

It is our pleasure to share the great work of our partners. Thank you to Keri Handaly from Gresham, OR for sharing these projects. If you have any questions, contact her at [keri.handaly@greshamoregon.gov](mailto:keri.handaly@greshamoregon.gov).

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