



Rain Garden Training Agenda

Tuesday October 26, 2010 – 9:00 to 5:00,
Coos Bay Public Library

8:45 AM	Registration and Sign-In
9:00 AM	Welcome and Introductions
9:30 AM	Rain Garden Overview What is a rain garden, how does it function, and why are they important?
10:00 AM	Rain Garden Site Assessment (Includes Outdoor Portion) Learn what it takes to assess the site and create a preliminary design.
12:00 PM	Lunch - Provided
12:30 PM	Design – Locating and Sizing Locate and size rain gardens based on soils, rainfall, surfaces and site characteristics
1:00 PM	Design - Challenging Sites and Construction Basic construction techniques and how they vary with site conditions
1:45 PM	Group Rain Garden Design Exercise Draw a rain garden plan using the site assessment information.
2:30 PM	Plants, Invasive Species and Maintenance How to choose plants based on site conditions, desired characteristics – “right plant, right place” – plus maintenance
3:30 PM	Group Rain Garden Design Exercise Choose plants and a maintenance plan for your rain garden
4:15 PM	Wrap Up and Next Steps Group presentations and discussion, train-the-trainer follow-up plans (let’s build one), program evaluation
5:00 PM	Concludes - Travel home safely!

