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Fifth Annual Free Woodland Water-Wise Landscape Tour

Explore some of Woodland's attractive low-water using landscapes at the City of Woodland's free Water-Wise Landscape Tour Saturday, May 21st. Tour activities will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a registration event at the Woodland Community and Senior Center, 2001 East Street. The registration event will include displays, relevant literature, a presentation by a homeowner who converted his landscape, and an overview of the tour sites. The landscape tour guide book and maps will be available at the registration event.

Tour attendees will enjoy a wide range of landscapes from showcasing succulents to naturalized landscapes that transport tour attendees to the countryside. Each landscape demonstrates the wide range of creative possibilities available to Woodland residents contemplating a sustainable landscape transformation as well as examples of how to overcome common challenges like shade and planting in mature tree root zones.

The self-guided tour runs from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Homeowners, landscape designers, and/or Yolo County Master Gardener volunteers will be on site at the tour destinations to answer additional questions about the landscapes. According to Jordan Power, Water Conservation Coordinator for the City of Woodland, "Californians understand the importance of reducing our water use. In the Sacramento region, approximately 65% of household water is used for outdoor irrigation. Installing a water-wise landscape can cut your irrigation use in half while simultaneously adding environmental and aesthetic benefits."

Power said the inspiration for the tour came from residents' interest in learning first-hand about successful water-wise landscaping in Woodland, including plant selection, design, and landscaping techniques. The tour complements the city's recent how-to workshop series on low-water landscaping, *Water-Wise Wednesdays*.

For more information, visit www.cityofwoodland.org/landscape or contact the Woodland Water Conservation Program at conservewater@cityofwoodland.org or (530) 661-2067.