

Never blow leaves into the street



Separate plant waste from landfill debris



Compost on site



Use a green waste bin

### The 7 Principles

- **1** Landscape Locally
- 2 Landscape for Less to the Landfill
- 3 Nurture the Soil
- 4 Conserve Water
- Conserve Energy
- 6 Protect Water and Air Quality
- Create and Protect Wildlife Habitat

### The Russian River Watershed



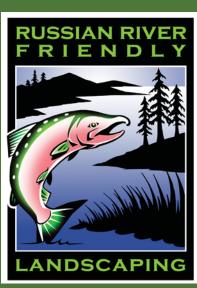


Every landscape can have a beneficial impact on the river and surrounding environment.

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# Russian River-Friendly Landscape Maintenance





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### Russian River-Friendly Landscaping Practices

### Limit compaction from heavy equipment and foot traffic

Compacted soils hold less water, air, and nutrients.



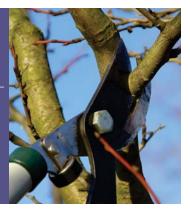
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### Inspect and repair mechanical equipment

Properly maintained equipment reduces pollution.

## Prune at the right time of year

Create strong trees and shrubs that resist diseases.



# Avoid synthetic quick-release fertilizers

Feed plants with natural fertilizers like composted chicken manure or worm castings.



Pesticides in private landscapes can pollute drinking water and aquatic habitat.



### Not all insects are pests

Pesticides can kill beneficial insects. Learn more about beneficial insects at bit.ly/InsectsOWOW



Save water and avoid damage to nearby plants, fencing, and hardscape.







### Don't overwater

Promote plant health, and reduce water bills, by adjusting irrigation based on season, soil type, and plant needs.