

East Bay Municipal Utility District

LANDSCAPE ADVISORY COMMITTEE Meeting Notice and Preliminary Agenda

> Date: Monday, March 8, 2021 2:00pm-3:15pm Webinar

| 2:00 | Welcome EBMUD Water Supply and Updates | Kristin Bowman |
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| 2:10 | Gardening in Summer-Dry Climates | Saxon Holt |
| 2:50 | Discussion | ALL |
| 3:15 | Meeting Adjourned | |

Gardening in Summer-Dry Climate Plants for a Lush, Water-Conscious Landscape

Low-impact and beautiful gardens are an art form that begins by observing the natural landscape. Gardening in summer-dry climates requires a careful choice of plants that thrive in dry summers and wet winters. In the face of worldwide habitat loss, Pacific Coast gardeners move to reduce impacts on the water supply, sequester carbon, and sustain wildlife by creating gardens in concert with the summer-dry climate.

Photographer Saxon Holt will share breathtaking photographs of plants and gardens from his new book *Gardening in Summer-Dry Climates*. Saxon will highlight East Bay garden favorites and touch on design considerations, invasive species, carbon sequestration, and maintenance. Come learn how this plant book can help to invigorate garden resiliency. EBMUD Water Conservation Division staff will provide an update on EBMUD water supply and water conservation programs.

Event qualifies for CEU's from Irrigation Association, AWWA, ReScape CA, Master Gardeners, and QWEL

Authors

Saxon Holt is a photojournalist who has spent more than 40 years exploring Kingdom Plantae and the fundamental importance of plants to the health of the planet. His work has been featured in diverse publications, from *Architectural Digest* and *Pacific Horticulture* magazine, to EBMUD's award wining book, *Plants and Landscapes for Summer-Dry Climates*. Saxon is also a Board member at Pacific Horticulture Society.

Nora Harlow is a landscape architect and gardener with wide-ranging experience in the summer-dry climates of California. She was assistant editor of *Pacific Horticulture* magazine for many years and supervisor of water conservation for the East Bay Municipal Utility District in Oakland, where she designed low-water landscapes for District facilities. She is the author of *Plants and Landscapes for Summer-Dry Climates of the Bay Area*, co-editor of *The Pacific Horticulture Book of Western Gardening*, and co-editor of *Wild Lilies, Irises, and Grasses*.