## **VOICE Meeting**

September 10, 2012, 6:30PM

## Sustainable Landscape: You Can Still Have Grass!

Water is a finite resource, and our demand for it may soon overcome the limited supply to our region.

As Southern California is consistently under the threat of drought, many are looking for alternatives to traditional landscape which uses 60% of our fresh drinking water. Are you interested in creating beautiful, and environmentally sound, climate appropriate landscapes that use **less water**, **create less pollution**, and **provide habitats for wildlife?** 

Join VOICE members as Enviroscape founder Mike Garcia shows us how sustainable landscaping can help conserve our precious water resources. Mike will provide a tour of his one-of-a-kind backyard landscape, featuring his swimming pool converted into a rainwater harvesting system, koi pond, vegetable gardens, and solar system.

Mike will also explain how you can have a lawn and save more than half the water used by replacing conventional spray heads with sub-surface or underground drip irrigation, as well as including drought tolerant landscaping that will save water.

Where: 2609 Vargas Way Redondo Beach, CA 90278
When: 6:30 PM: Networking
7:00 PM: Presentation

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## **Biography**



Enviroscape founder Mike Garcia began his career in the horticultural field more than 30 years ago. After earning his college degree in Ornamental Horticulture, he earned his C-27 Landscape Contractors license and his D-49 Tree Service Contractors license.

Under his leadership, Enviroscape has won numerous landscape and water feature awards at the local, state national and international levels. Some of these include awards from the California Landscape Contractors Association (CLCA) as well as the National Association of Pond Professionals (NAPP) and the International

Professional Pond Companies Association (IPPCA).

Enviroscape has been featured in numerous magazines, such as PONDS USA and Pond and Garden Lifestyles Magazine, Water Garden News, California Landscaper magazine, National Landscape Contractor magazine. Guest appearances on the hit television shows include: "Extreme Home Makeover," HGTV's "Landscaper's Challenge" and A&E's hit series "Fix That Yard."

Enviroscape's work on Rain Water Harvesting was recently featured in a full-page article in the Los Angeles Times (4/12).

Mike has also been involved in several sustainable landscape projects in the City of Manhattan Beach. For more information and tools to create your own sustainable garden, please visit the City's Going Green website at <a href="https://www.citymb.info">www.citymb.info</a>.