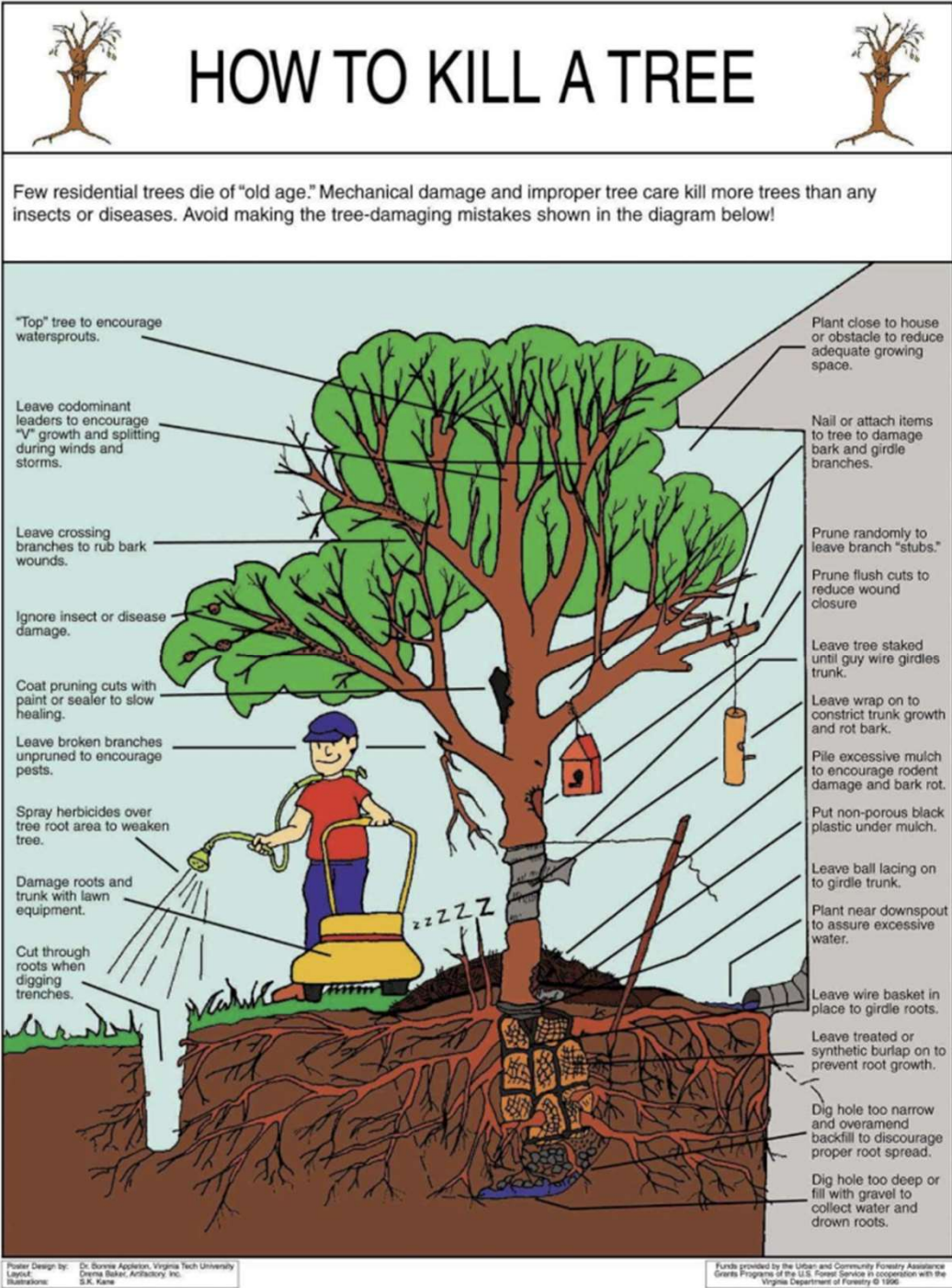


**We will start our meeting at 6:00 pm.**



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## May 2021

Meeting will be recorded and made available upon request



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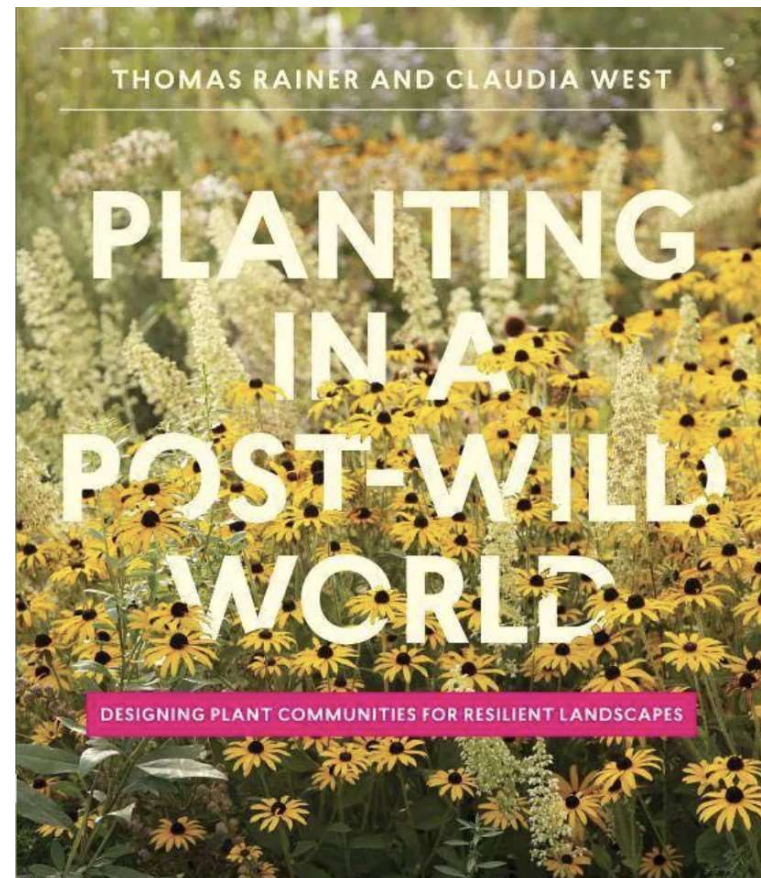
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# Book Club Committee

Earn 1 hour CE for book reading  
(set by our state office)

Earn up to 1.5 hours for attending  
discussion via Zoom meetings

Susan volunteered to lead the  
committee



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# Volunteer Opportunity Humboldt County Fair

August 18-29<sup>th</sup>

Prior years participation?

Interest this year?



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# Volunteer Opportunity Del Norte County Fair

August 5-8<sup>th</sup> ???

Prior years participation?

Interest this year?



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# Reappointment starts 6/1/21

## 2020/21 Program Year Requirements

- **Continued Education – 12 hours**

- Approved ongoing and exceptions for current year CE (7/1/20-6/30/21) activities [find on our volunteer only page](#)  
(use your VMS sign on password to access)
  - Online activities
  - Offline activities
    - MG Handbook refresher
- Current year exceptions:
  - Book reading flexibility has been expanded for current year
    - Gardening focused non-academic titles
    - Racial equity training and reading



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# Volunteer Opportunity

## Ask a Master Gardener Table

McKinleyville Ace Hardware

2 Volunteers

Monthly recurring ?

Ask a Master Gardener



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# Reappointment starts 6/1/21

Are you current with logging your hours?

Volunteer 25 hours

CE 12 hours

If you are having trouble? – let's figure out how to achieve your requirements- call, text, email Sherida

Don't wait to the last minutes – unlike prior years, ***the minimum requirements will not be waived***



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# 7/1/20-6/30/21 PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT RELATING TO COVID

[Document](#) can be found on volunteer only access page  
of our website

Hour requirement are the same

Expanded activities for current program year



# 2020/21 Program Year Requirements

- **COVID Exception Hours**

- Not to exceed 25 hours – this will satisfy annual requirement
- Not “official” UC MG activities. Program’s Hartford Insurance Policy will not cover claims relating to these activities.
- Non-standard activities – nonpaid volunteer work in community
  - Related to COVID response, e.g. contact tracer
  - Food deliver to at-risk individuals outside of immediate family. 1 delivery =2 hours
  - Grow donate garden bouquet to local care facility. 1 bouquet=1 hour
  - Volunteer at food closet/food bank and/or shelters
  - [See list in 2020/21 Volunteer Hours Document](#)
- When logging hours, select the COVID Exception Hours as you project.



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# 2020/21 Program Year Requirements

- **Volunteer Hours – 25 expected**
  - COVID Exception hours count (not to exceed 25 hours)
  - In-person activities – only when preapproved – *may not represent yourself as a MG or log hours if not preapproved*
  - At home activities – many activities qualify – see listing



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# 2020/21 Program Year Requirements

- **Limited Active Status – adjustment for this year**
  - Long-term or on-going WiFi or internet challenges
  - Experiencing other exceptional circumstances.
    - Let Sherida know by email that you want to go Limited Active – You do not need to provide an explanation, only request the status change.
    - Reappointment must still be done for 2021/22 year and payment of insurance must be made.
    - No expectation of making up hours for the 2020/21 year.



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# Current Volunteer Opportunities

## Earn Volunteer Service Hours:

- What do you want to do? Check with Sherida –Let’s see if we can make it happen for you!
- In-person activities – *only after Yana approves the in-person activity*
- Pictures for Facebook sharing – email to Sherida
- Help Desk responding/research
- CE Presentation at our monthly Zoom MG meeting
- Recording How to Videos – Will be posted on our Website and Facebook.
- Record a short PowerPoint Presentation – Your choice of subject – Will be posted on our website
- Help develop Website content
- Newsletter articles – Due 12/18 for January “Winter” edition
- Committees – Let’s form committees –
- Help develop monthly garden chore/maintenance lists for website
- More activities see [this document](#)

# 2022 Humboldt/Del Norte Training

Training will be Hybrid – Weekly online classes

In-Person – 1 Saturday a month (March/April/May)

Tuesdays starting Feb 1, 2022 thru end of May (ORIENTATATION 1/25/22)

Veteran Master Gardeners are all welcome to attend online classes and attend monthly in-person

Do you have the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the MG Handbook – published 2015 ?  
2016 + trainees should have been issued the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition

Applications will be available 7/1/21



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# Presentations – They are watching

## Live Presentations – L4HSU

## Recorded Virtual Classes

	Prior	Current
55 - 6/25 Vegetable Garden Basics	92	96
27 - 7/07 Heather Growing Basics	632	815
11 - 7/14 Designing with Heaths and Heathers	42	47
22 - 7/16 IPM	18	22
50 - 7/21 Success with Houseplants	44	47
137 - 7/23 Wildfires	184	185
Online Presentations		
ACP & HLB	36	44
Dark Side of Plants Poisonous Plants	28	37
Apple Pruning Demo	40	54
<b>302 Total</b>	<b>1,116 @ 4/6</b>	<b>1,347, as of 5/4 + 231</b>



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# HSU Summer Workshops

Volunteers to give live Zoom presentations?



# Upcoming Presentations/Demonstrations

- Live presentation or pre recorded for posting on website.
- Use your phone's camera to record something you are doing in your garden – Sherida can edit your recording!

## IDEAS and PRESENTERS –

- ✓ Apple Tree Pruning Demonstration – Martha Spencer
- ✓ African Violets – Sherida – recording will be made available on website
- Bulbs – Maria
- Irises, focus on bearded iris – Sherida
- Composting – Zeal
- Rhododendrons – Tim and June
  
- Other ideas and what would you like to present?

Digital Flyers – Tom



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# Ask a MG Help Desk

## MGs earn Volunteer Hours

- Advise to Grow by Help Desk for is for home gardeners in Humboldt and Del Norte Counties. The Help Desk is located on our website. They complete a Help Desk Ticket and submit online.
- [https://ucanr.edu/sites/hdnmastergardeners/Help\\_Desk\\_-\\_Ask\\_A\\_Master\\_Gardener/](https://ucanr.edu/sites/hdnmastergardeners/Help_Desk_-_Ask_A_Master_Gardener/)
- Please help with providing responses when the Help Desk email goes out to you. Provide your recommendations and links to approved online resources. Earn volunteer service hours for your time responding and researching.



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## Arcata – Birch Tree

I was told that I have carbor worms infesting a Himalayan birch tree in my yard. I'd like to know how to eradicate them before they spread to other trees nearby.

Holes in the trunk of the tree. Some of the holes are going into the center of the trunk and others in channels across the trunk. I recently noticed it since these trees normally shed their bark so from a distance it seemed OK. The plant is my back yard and is the only tree in the lawn. Other Himalayan birches are nearby (about 15 feet away). The plant is about 5-7 years old.



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# Help Desk

Good day, Since moving to Shelter Cove from Briceland, some 10 years ago, I have been growing a Meyer lemon. It has grown to some 10' wide and 8' tall, and produces an enormous crop every year. We have lemons all year in abundance. A lot of other residents are also having success with lemon trees. Even though the tree does so well, I am still in the dark about how to prune and shape the tree as it gets older and larger. As a winegrape grower back in the 80's and 90's we had many workshops in Southern Humboldt aimed at teaching new viticulturalists how to plant and establish vineyards. The workshops were very successful in that dozens of small vineyard owners learned how to grow quality winegrapes. A similar workshop here at the Cove would help answer a lot of questions from the 20 or so Citrus growers here at the Cove. What do you think?



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# Help Desk

This was referred to Trinity County, however I did provide him a resource link for St John's Wort.

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I have 120 acres in Trinity County. I have noticed proliferation of what I believe is known as St. John's Wort. Is this plant harmful to wildlife or otherwise invasive to native grasses? If so, are there methods to control it?



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## Help Desk

Skunks digging up my seedlings! I've tried bird netting and row cover but they manage to get in anyway. Do you know if the motion detection sprinkler or light works? I'm at my wits end because I spent a lot of time and money last fall building raised beds with hardware cloth underneath to keep out gophers and now the skunks are killing my plants! Thank you for any help!



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Do you have a plant diagnosis  
or victories to share?



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# Month by Month Plant and Garden Care

Each month for CE we will be drafting a month- by- month plant care schedule

Input from MGS will be compiled and put on our website and emailed monthly to our newsletter recipients.

Make your lists and submit in the survey form which will be provided.

What are you doing or should be doing in your garden?

This Month –

Next Month -



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# Other Topics/Questions?



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# COVID-19 Updates

- New – ALL in-person volunteer MUST be immediately logged into VMS – showing actual date with time recorded in “note” section as well as who you interacted with 10 minutes or longer.
- Only outside approved activities.
- If you meet with anyone for 10 minutes or longer, you must keep a contact tracing log. Here is the UCANR contact log [link](#).

## REMINDER

**ALL In-person activities** require pre-approval from County Director, Yana. This is a UCANR State Office directive. Submit your activity(s) using [the My form](#). **Approval must be obtained in order to volunteer as a MG and log hours for service and CE.**

- Currently Yana has approved the following sites. However *everyone* [must submit a request](#) in a request for approval before working :
  - Humboldt Botanical Garden
  - Hospice House in Eureka
  - Humboldt Bay Wildlife Reserve
  - CR Garden Project - New
  - Anne B Ryan House



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# UCANR COVID-19 Documents

- Stay updated with current protocols. Find these on our MG website within the Volunteer only pages.
  - [Access directly on website](#) to Volunteer only Pages this requires signing in with your sign-in and password (same as your VMS sign-in and password)

## OR BY ACCESSING VMS

- Once in the Volunteer only section, from the left side navigation panel select COVID Updates and Protocols
- Make sure to read COVID-19 Phase 2 Information for UCANR Programs & Volunteers

***Remember, you must receive an approval  
for all in-person activities before engagement.***

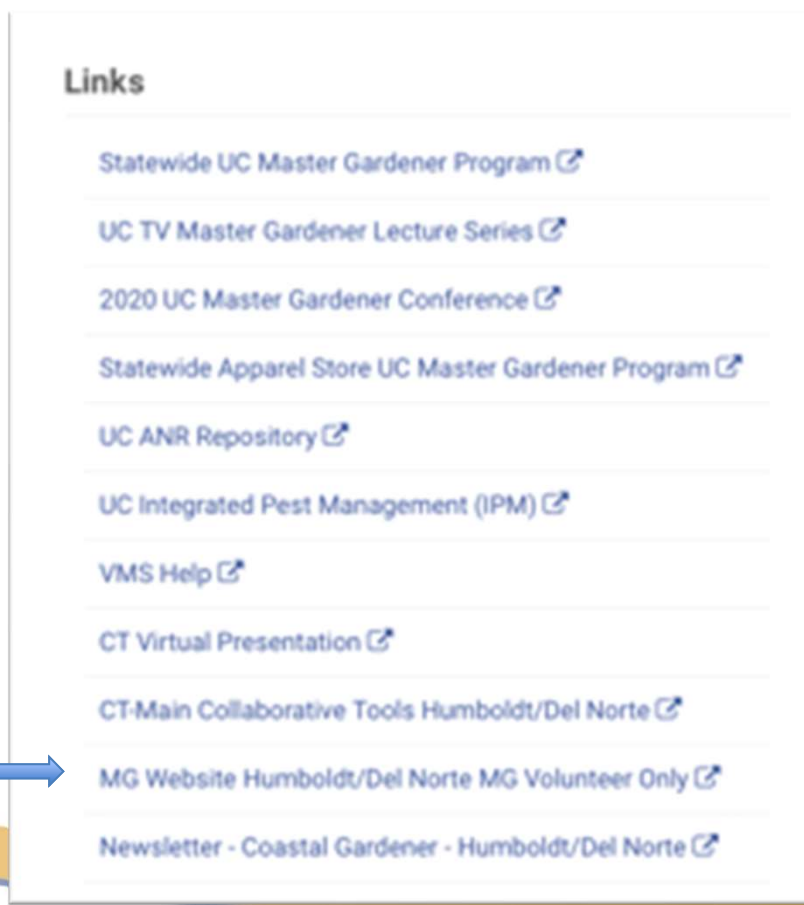
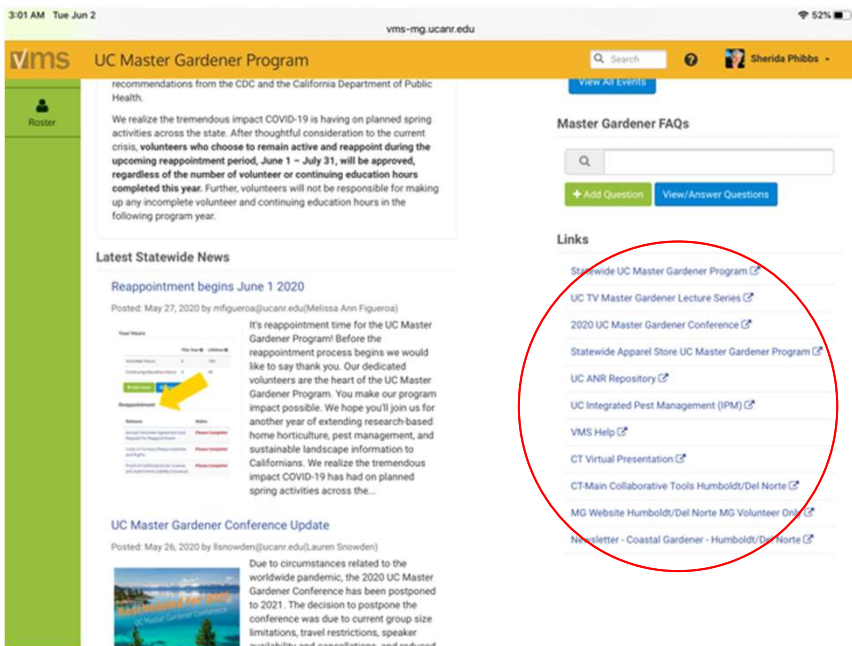


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# UCANR COVID-19 Documents

- Access through VMS home page – click on MG Website Humboldt/Del Norte MG Volunteer Only



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# ~~2020,2021~~ 2023 MG Conference

Now Oct 2-Oct 6 2023 Tahoe City, California

For more information:

<https://ucanr.edu/sites/2020MGConference/>

Nestled on the [North Shore](#) of Lake Tahoe, Tahoe City is the crown jewel of the Sierra Nevada and the ideal location for the 2020 UC Master Gardener Conference. The conference is being hosted at [Granlibakken Tahoe](#), a resort built around *connection* - with adventure, land, water and sky with great food, and one another.

Located minutes from Tahoe City the Granlibakken prides itself on preserving the natural environment and providing a space that feels like old Tahoe. Recreational activities (swimming, volleyball, tennis, biking and hiking) are all on conference grounds, and a 1.5 mile private trail leads to North Lake Tahoe.



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# Treasury Report Thru 3/31/2021

## Appropriations:

1/1/2021 Beginning Balance	\$ 1,213.35	
Donations	100.00	
Total Funds Received		\$1,246.24

## Program Expenses:

Awards Gold/Platinum Badges		
Supplies	-74.60	
Total Expenditures		<u>-74.60</u>

**Cash Fund Balance** **\$1,238.75**

**Who would like to volunteer to be the treasurer?**



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# Our Online Presence

- UCCE Master Gardeners of Humboldt & Del Norte Website  
<https://ucanr.edu/sites/hdnmastergardeners/>
- Facebook [www.fb.me/HumboldtMG](http://www.fb.me/HumboldtMG)
- Newsletter The Coastal Gardener - Sign up  
<https://ucanr.edu/survey/surveyadmin/surveyLink.cfm>



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