

WATER WISE

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Clean Water Starts Here...

Clean water starts with your how you care for your lawn! Here are some tips for environmentally friendly lawn care:

- Choose compost or organic, slow release fertilizer for your lawn and garden.
- Keep your grass at least 3 inches. This encourages healthy regrowth and protects the roots.
- Leave grass clippings on your lawn. As they break down, it releases nitrogen back into the soil and reduces the need for fertilizer.
- If you want to remove weeds from your lawn, either hand-pull while the soil is wet or choose an all natural weed killer (see picture below).
- Pick up after your pet to reduce the spread of harmful bacteria



Upcoming Events

Litter Clean Up - Saturday, April 13

Lancaster Goodwill - 3535 Lancaster Dr NE Salem, OR
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Celebrate Earth Day early this year by picking up litter with Marion County Environmental Services! Help keep garbage from entering our streams, get exercise, and meet your neighbors! [Click here](#) to sign up.

Earth Day at the Oregon Garden - April 20

Oregon Garden - 879 W Main St Silverton, OR
10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Join Marion County and sponsors for the 20th annual Earth Day at the Oregon Garden. Learn how to compost, design your own reusable bag, see live entertainment, and eat delicious food! This is the only day of the year that admission to the Oregon Garden is free! [Click here](#) for more information.

