

# PLANTING PLAN for Woodland Water-Wise Mow Strips

# VALLEY-WISE



**A DROUGHT-TOLERANT LAWN ALTERNATIVE** of native and non-native plants well-adapted to Woodland and surrounding areas.

**Before you start:** Completely remove turf grass, taking care not to damage tree roots. Work compost into the soil if needed. Lay down weed barrier landscape fabric and staple in place.

**Ready to plant:** Lay out plants according to the planting layout below. Plant by cutting an x into the landscape fabric twice the size of the pot. Dig the hole twice as wide and as deep as the pot and backfill making sure the base of the plant's stems or trunk is level with the ground. Tamp the soil around the plants and water in with a hose.

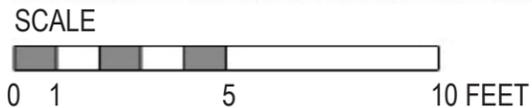
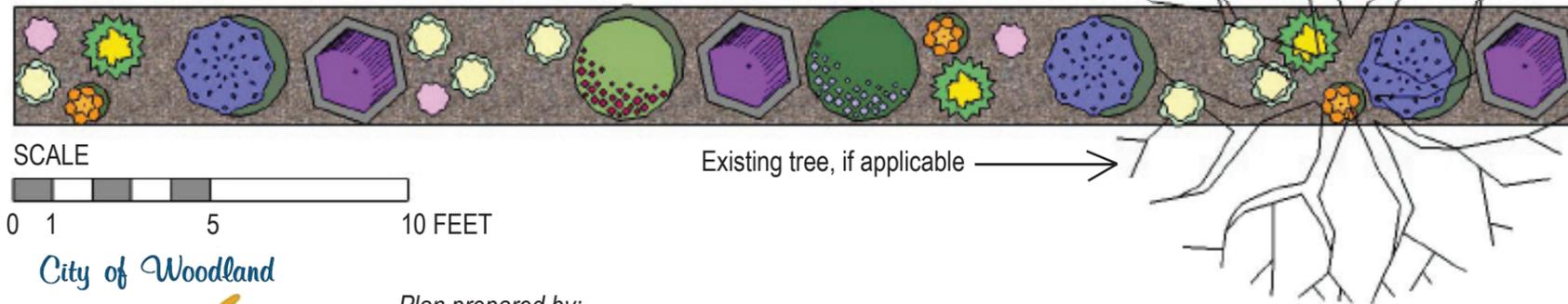
**Install the drip irrigation:** Lay out tubing and staple down. Add 1 emitter for each 1-gallon plant and 2 emitters for 5-gallon plants. Existing trees may benefit from 3 or more emitters around the drip line of the tree, or none at all depending on the type of tree and how well established it is. Add emitters, if necessary, as plants grow. A separate irrigation valve is recommended for the mow strip. Drip systems require a pressure regulator. If necessary, to make changes to existing irrigation, consult with a landscape contractor licensed by the State of California.

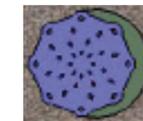
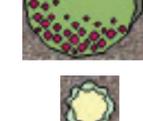
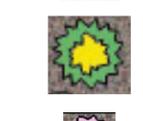
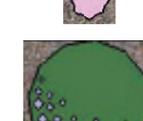
**Mulch:** Add a layer of mulch (e.g. 2 to 4-inch-thick shredded or chipped bark, walnut hulls, decomposed granite).

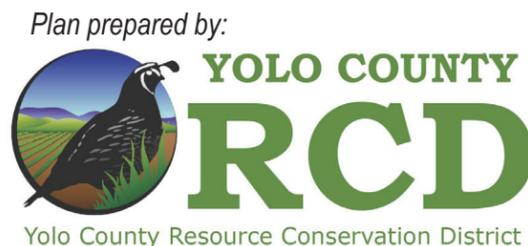
**Program irrigation schedule:** For 1-GPH (gallon per hour) drip emitters: YEAR ONE: Water once a week for 1 hour. YEAR TWO: Water once every two weeks for 1 hour. YEAR THREE: Water once or twice a month for 1 hour. Adjust as needed. Actual plant water need will vary. This schedule is a general recommendation. Modify frequency and run time, as needed, for optimal plant health.

## PLANTING LAYOUT

40 x 3 foot design is based on a typical mow strip, but may be adapted to fit your space.



-  x 3 **Catmint-** *Nepeta cataria*
  -  x 3 **Spanish Lavender-** *Lavendula stoechas*
  -  x 3 **California Poppy-** *Eschscholzia californica* N
  -  x 1 **Autumn Sage-** *Salvia greggii*
  -  x 7 **Mexican Fleabane-** *Erigeron karvinskianus* N
  -  x 3 **Cape Balsam-** *Bulbine frutescens*
  -  x 3 **Pinchusion Flower-** *Scabiosa* 'Butterfly Blue'
  -  x 1 **Dwarf Rosemary-** *Rosmarinus officinalis*
- N = California native



See **Master Plant List for Woodland Water-Wise Mow Strips** for height and width, sun requirement, and other useful plant characteristics. For more information on water-wise landscaping, please visit: [www.cityofwoodland.org/waterconservation](http://www.cityofwoodland.org/waterconservation)



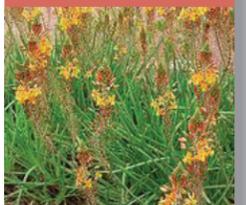
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