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RAINWISE: INSTALLING RAIN GARDENS AND CISTERNS
Training for Contractors and Design Professionals Working in Seattle

Repeat of Nov. 2009 course – back by popular demand.
FREE, for building and landscape professionals only – register early!

Installing Rain Gardens and Cisterns, Tuesday March 30, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
NHS Hall, UW Center for Urban Horticulture, Seattle – registration & coffee start 8:00 am
Sponsored by Seattle Public Utilities
Free, lunch included. For licensed professionals only. Pre-registration required – space is limited.

The City of Seattle will soon offer rebates to property owners to disconnect roof downspouts from the combined sewer system, and direct that runoff into cisterns or rain gardens. The rebates will be targeted to neighborhoods where downspout disconnection can help reduce combined sewer overflows during big rain storms. This class will prepare contractors and design/build professionals to work with owners to locate and size rain gardens or cisterns on their property, and to install those systems so they work well and meet the City's requirements for rebates on construction costs. **These classes are required for contractors who want to participate in Seattle's new RainWise rebate program.**

Rain gardens and cisterns are two of the Low Impact Development methods that are coming into local stormwater codes in many towns around Puget Sound, creating a new business opportunity for landscape, irrigation, plumbing, and general contractors as well as design/build professionals.

These classes are FREE, but are limited to licensed contractors and design professionals who do work in Seattle. If this class fills, it will be repeated May 4th.

Download registration flyer at <http://depts.washington.edu/urbhort/html/education/stormwater.htm>
Contact Jean Robins at jrobins@u.washington.edu or (206) 685-8033 for more information.
Learn more about rain gardens, cisterns, and other stormwater solutions at www.seattle.gov/util/rainwise