

# Bee City USA - West Linn

Report on 2022



## Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

Open Space native plantings, invasive species removal in parks, planting pollinator friendly trees and shrubs in our designated pollinator garden as well as cleared areas in our parks leaving snags, stumps and bare areas.

*How many habitat projects did you help to create or enhance last year?*

4

*How many total square feet of habitat were created or enhanced?*

17000

*How many volunteers helped with those projects?*

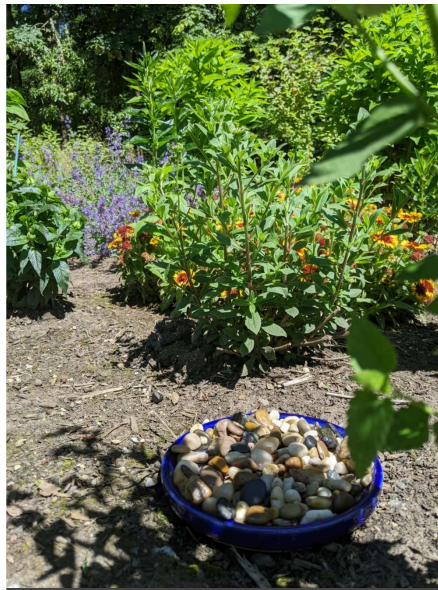
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*Please check all that describe the habitats your affiliate helped to create or enhance last year with pollinator benefit in mind.*

- Natural area with tree snags and stumps, and bare areas for ground nesting species
- Invasive/exotic plant species removal for habitat improvement
- Native pollinator-friendly tree planting



Invasive species removal



Planting Enhancing the Pollinator Garden adding Puddling Stations



Planting native shrubs and trees

## Education & Outreach

Arbor Week-Native Plant Giveaways and Education takeaways-Our Committee hosted Earth Day Event-Planting native pollinator trees and shrubs in the park-Our Committee hosted 2 Day Plant Sale-Sold pollinator plants, native and seasonal to patrons, education about specific plants also-Our Committee hosted Pollinator Week-Pollinator Plant Giveaways for 2 days near our pollinator garden, educational material and pollinator craft available-Our Committee Hosted

*How many pollinator-related events did your affiliate host or help with last year (in total)?*

4

*How many people attended those events (in total)?*

350

*How many Bee City USA logo street signs have you installed to date (in total)?*

1

*Did your city council/county commission (highest elected body) issue a proclamation for National Pollinator Week last summer?  
Please note: this is now an optional activity.*

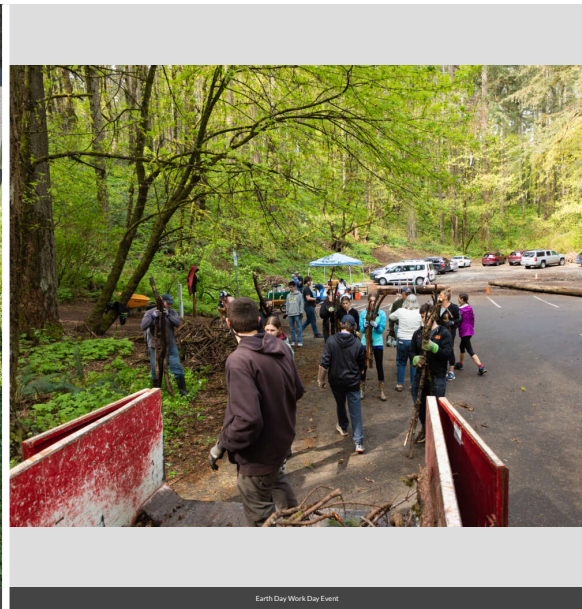
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Arbor Week Native Plant Gateway



Pollinator Week



Earth Day Work Day Event

## Policies & Practices

We have no spray areas where our Pollinator Garden is located. We spray very minimally in our parks. Working on planting more plants to cover the ground to deter weed growth. Use of vinegar has increased.

*Are efforts underway in your community to further reduce pesticide use in residential or business areas? This may include neighborhood-led efforts, outreach to landscapers, etc. If so, please describe.*

**Not at this time.**

*In your city or campus, are any policy initiatives underway to further protect pollinators, people or waterways from pesticides?*

**There are policies in place for pesticide use around water. We don't spray our pollinator garden or surrounding areas.**

*Please describe actions by your affiliate to attend training on ecologically-based Integrated Pest Management and/or to review IPM plans and programs considered of high quality by Bee City USA?*

**We would like to look into these programs to be more educated.**

**Integrated Pest Management Plan:**

<https://westlinnoregon.gov/parksrec/parks-integrated-pest-management>

**Recommended Native Plant List:**

[https://nurseryguide.com/find\\_companies/detail/aurora-nursery](https://nurseryguide.com/find_companies/detail/aurora-nursery)

**Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:**

<https://champoegnursery.com/>



West Linn Parks & Recreation

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### Parks Integrated Pest Management

**Why Integrated Pest Management?**

To carefully and effectively manage noxious and invasive species of plants within the community's Parks system, the Parks Maintenance Division utilizes the best practices of Integrated Pest Management.

**What is Integrated Pest Management?**

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is an effective and environmentally sensitive approach to pest management that relies on a combination of common-sense practices. IPM programs use current, comprehensive information on the life cycles of pests and their interaction with the environment. This information, in combination with available pest control methods, is used to manage pest damage by the most economical means, and with the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment. The Parks Maintenance Division utilizes this best practice to thoughtfully control and eradicate noxious/invasive plant species that would otherwise out-compete native varieties.

**Locations Utilizing Integrated Pest Management?**

The Parks Maintenance section is responsible for maintaining many Park sites throughout the over 400 acres of City parks and facilities. The maintenance is done by Parks Staff and Contractors.

**Facts & Frequently Asked Questions**

**Is IPM Just About Pesticides?**

No, IPM is not just about pesticide use, it is a strategy guide to manage public spaces utilizing a wide range of "tools" from mulching to application of pesticides. IPM is a "toolbox" and a living document. It provides a comprehensive list of effective methods to manage pests and to minimize the damage they have on public spaces. Pesticides are a very small part of the overall management toolbox.

**Staff Certification**

All Park Maintenance Staff that use pesticides are required to be Licensed Certified Applicators. Any

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## Integrated Pest Management Information

Learn More

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