

# Welcome to the Hollinshead Water-wise Garden!

This project is brought to you by Central Oregon Master Gardener™ Association, OSU Extension Service, the City of Bend and Bend Parks and Recreation District. It is the first demonstration garden in Bend dedicated to low to moderate water use landscape plants and water efficient irrigation practices.

The Central Oregon Master Gardeners have managed plant demonstration beds at the Hollinshead Community Park for many years. These beds demonstrated perennials, grasses, annuals, herbs and pollinators that grow well in Central Oregon. Transitioning to focus on water conservation in home landscaping was proposed by OSU Master Gardener volunteers through the Central Oregon Master Gardener Association.

For Bend Parks and Recreation District, this is the first completed project that is part of a community-sponsored project initiative to allow for project submissions from community members. OSU Extension Service approved the project in 2015 and a community sponsored project proposal was submitted in 2016. The City of Bend joined the partnership in 2017 by providing the irrigation system design and installation.

The creation of this demonstration garden creates a destination point for those interested in using less water to irrigate their landscape. OSU Master Gardener volunteers will conduct classes, demonstrations and maintain the area. The City of Bend water conservation program will hold regular irrigation focused workshops as well. Future signage will provide educational opportunities for all garden visitors.

