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Oakridge Landscape Produces Their Own Organic Mulch

Oakridge Landscape, a green company, is a leader in the landscape industry when it comes to organic mulch.

“We’ve had our own on-site facility for processing mulch for several years,” says owner Jeff Myers. “We are proud to provide organic mulch for all our landscape projects.”

Organic mulch is the most logical solution to a sustainable landscape; that is, the debris from prunings and clippings are recycled and returned to the landscape area. Mulch is simply the best *bang for the buck* in the landscape industry.

Organic mulch is especially effective for water conservation. Some mulch facts are:



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1. Two to four inches of organic mulch, properly aged and processed, is the best value in the landscape.

2. Organic mulch adds nutrients to the soil, improves aeration and drainage, and promotes microorganisms. The bottom line is: Mulch improves soil fertility.

3. Organic mulch reduces evaporation from the soil, thereby, reducing irrigation water usage, which in turn promotes water conservation.

Mulch acts as nature’s insulating blanket, keeping the soil warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer.

4. Organic mulch reduces weed

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infestation. This decreases the needs for herbicides/chemicals. Mulch can also inhibit certain plant diseases, decreasing the use of chemicals.

5. Organic mulch is aesthetically pleasing and increases property values.

The impact of organic mulches on soil nutrient content and plant health may extend deeper than just the topsoil.



Researchers have found that certain types of organic mulches, with the aid of soil microbes that break down the organic matter, have a profound effect on soil fertility and overall plant health below the soil surface—fighting off plant diseases and insect pests, as well as increasing plant growth.

ARBOR CARE

Tree Pruning enhances the appearance and value of the landscape

As trees grow, they need direction. This may be in the form of pruning or removing deadwood. Proper pruning is important because it:

- a) Removes weak, storm damaged, diseased, or interfering tree limbs/branches.
- b) Provides clearance for driveways, structures and overhead lines, streets, sidewalks, and driveways.

Have a professional evaluate the trees on your property.

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GREEN NEWS

Oakridge Landscape Completes Innovative Green Project

“We are proud to have been selected as the landscape contractor for one of the most innovative green/LEED developments in Southern California,” said Jeff Myers, President of Oakridge Landscape.

Casa Dominguez, located in East Dominguez Hills, utilizes the first commercial gray water irrigation system in Los Angeles County. Designed and built by Abode Communities, the commercial “green” project is a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) development. In addition to the drought tolerant plants

and the gray water irrigation system, the site has other sustainable features such as solar panels, indoor air quality materials and energy efficient waste reduction technology.

Mr. Myers concluded, “As a leader in the green movement, Oakridge



Landscape’s commitment to the installation and maintenance of sustainable landscapes has been clearly demonstrated at Casa Dominguez.”

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