

Home and Consumer Horticulture

Sample Evaluation

Note to Agents – This is a sample evaluation that you can adapt to meet your county and programs. It is also available on Qualtric to edit, distribute to clients, analysis, and share with specialists electronically.

The items on the evaluation align with KERS program indicators and the sample success story that is available.

The _____ County Extension Service is proud to work with people interested in gardening and home horticulture. In order to continue our services, please take a few minutes to complete the following survey.

How did you get Extension information and resources for gardening and home horticulture during the past 12 months?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Program or conference | <input type="checkbox"/> Website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Media |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phone call, email, or office visit | <input type="checkbox"/> UK Veg IPM Hotline (888-483-4476) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Webinars | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

What type of Extension diagnostic services did you use during the past 12 months? *Select all that apply.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Soil test | <input type="checkbox"/> Pest or insect identification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plant or weed identification | <input type="checkbox"/> Plant disease |

Did the information provided influence the decisions that you made in treating or managing soil, plants, pests, weeds, or invasive species?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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During the past 12 months, did you use Extension resources to make decisions about selecting specific varieties or cultivars of plants, where to locate new plants in your garden or landscape, and/or maintenance of garden or landscape?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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What practices do you use to protect pollinators?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Selected plants that support pollinators | <input type="checkbox"/> Provided water sources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Used alternatives to chemical pesticides | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Did you use Extension resources in making decisions or employing best practices related to pollinators, habitats, and/or processing or marketing honey?

Yes

No

Did you implement any of the following **Integrated Pest Management** practices?

Integrated Pest Management	Yes	No
Scouted field, high tunnel, greenhouse and/or garden weekly		
Integrated new cultural management tactics or biological control with current spray program		
Altered existing pest management program to reduce impacts to non-target organisms		
Other		

Comment

During the past 12 months, identify practices that you applied related to **chemical management** (includes pesticides, herbicides and/or fertilizers).

Chemical Use	Yes	No
Use personal protection equipment		
Updated spray program to reduce risk of developing pest resistance		
Test pesticide application water for pH, alkalinity or other characteristics		
Selected alternate materials based on REI, PHI, pollinator protection, etc.		
Improved or maintained good practices in chemical handling, storage or disposal		
Evaluated weather conditions before applying chemicals		
Communicated with neighbor/users of pesticide sensitive areas around their farm or yard, including posting signs		
Other		

Comment:

Which practices did you apply to influence **water or soil quality and conservation** as a result of Extension resources?

Water and Soil Quality and Conservation	Yes	No
Implemented one or more best practices for improving soil quality / soil health		
Implemented one or more best practices for soil /water conservation		
Integrated one or more best practices to increase soil organic matter		
Implemented one or more best practices to improve soil structure for water infiltration and retention		
Adopted one or more best practices to increase ground cover for soil protection		
Implemented one or more best practices for improving water quality		
Implemented one or more best practices to protect stream banks or stream buffer zones		
Planted native plants in buffer zones		
Developed or implemented landscape nutrient management plan		
Adopted changes to improve the water quality of forested streams		

Other		
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Comment:

Have you adapted practices or equipment for safety or to improve ergonomics?

- Yes No

Did you improve or maintain your physical, emotional, and/or mental health by participating in gardening or horticulture activities?

- Yes No

Did you develop gardening skills that are beneficial for employment or community service?

- Yes No

How many pounds of food did you donate to local non-profit organizations during the past 12 months?

As a result of using Extension resources for gardening and landscaping, how have you benefitted?

- Increased access to fruits and/or vegetables
- Improved the quality and/or quantity of food
- Minimized environmental impact by following recommendations of pesticides, herbicides, and/or fertilizer
- Added value to home or reduced expenses by improving landscape
- Other _____

As a result of Extension programs and resources, how have you served as a leader for agriculture and the environment during the past 12 months?

<i>Ag Extension Leadership</i>	Yes	No
Shared information about agriculture or the environment issues locally		
Advocated for agriculture and/or environmental issues locally		
Shared information about agriculture and/or environment issues with elected officials		
Advised, assisted or mentored a new or beginning agriculture producer		
Served as a member/leader of advisory councils, community development committee and/or leadership roles with agriculture or environmental organizations		
Other		

Comment:

Are you currently a Master Gardener?

Yes

No

No, but would be
interested in learning
more

We welcome your comments or suggestions for future programs. Please share.