

PURGE YOUR SPURGE!

MYRTLE SPURGE / NATIVE PLANT EXCHANGE

WHEN: Saturday, April 26, 2008, 10:00 – 4:00 pm

WHERE: REI, 3285 East 3300 South

WHY

Myrtle spurge, also called donkey tail spurge is a non-native, highly invasive garden plant that is rapidly spreading in our foothills and canyons. In addition, it has recently been listed as a noxious weed in Salt Lake County. All plant parts contain a caustic white sap that can cause severe skin irritation. Help stop the spread by removing your spurge plants and substitute them with Utah native plants!

HOW

- * Dig up and bag your myrtle spurge. *Don't forget to wear protective clothing including long sleeves, gloves, and eye protection!*
- * Remove at least 4" of the rooting clump.
- * Exchange your spurge for 1 of 3 plant mixes containing 5 Utah native plants.
- * Choose from 3 plant communities: Full sun/ buckwheat mix, full sun/ penstemon mix, and part shade/ columbine mix.

** No limitations to the amount of myrtle spurge we will accept; bring as much as you can!*

**Plants available in 4" pots on a first come first serve basis.*



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