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Buff Up Your Soil and Garden Buffers

Thursday, October 15, 2015, 9 a.m to noon, at Suffolk County Farm
350 Yaphank Avenue, Yaphank, NY 11980



Join us at Suffolk County Farm and Education Center for a three-hour, hands-on workshop with Tamson Yeh, CCE Suffolk Turf Use and Land Management Specialist, and Joann Gruttadaurio, Senior Extension Associate Emerita, Cornell University. Learn how to assess and amend your soil, what the function of buffers and rain gardens are, and how planting them will reduce your need to use fertilizers and pesticides, as well as improve pollinator and wildlife habitat. This outdoor workshop will enhance your understanding of what your local growing conditions are and will help you make better choices for planting and maintaining your own landscape. You will go home with a rain gauge and a wheel of plant materials to customize the best plant choices for your location. In addition, Tamson and Joann will cover the basics of how to assess and amend soils to reduce such stress-related problems as fungal root rots, insect borers, and poor performance. Implementing these practices as a part of an integrated-pest-management program will result in reducing your pesticide use. You'll have a chance to do hands-on soil testing for pH, compaction, and percolation rates, and you'll learn what to do to fix your own broken soil. Pre-registration is required by sending in the coupon below.



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