



2026 Southern Utah Green Conference Schedule

Dixie Convention Center • 1835 S Convention Center Dr
St. George, UT 84790
Tuesday, October 27, 2026

Updated 7/20/2026 schedule is subject to change



Elite Conference
Sponsor:
Star Nursery

TIME	ROOM	CLASS TITLE	PRESENTER	CEUs
7:00 am	REGISTRATION			
7:00 – 7:30 am	CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST – EXHIBIT HALL, Sponsored by:			
7:30 - 8:35 am	Keynote Speaker	People + Trees: Inspiring Community Ownership of Urban Trees	Lisa Ortega Nevada Plants	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 ISA, 1 UCNP
8:50 - 9:40 am	Tree Care Track Sunbrook A	Tree Law	Brent Bateman Dentons Durham Jones Pinegar	1 DOPL-Core, 1 ISA, 1 UCNP
	Landscape Track Sunbrook B	Using AI to Create Compelling Landscape Renderings	Doug Bennett WCWCD	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 ISA, 1 UCNP
	Irrigation Track Exhibit Hall	Smart Controllers vs. Conventional Controllers	Andy Belingheri Husqvarna	1 DOPL- Pro, 1 IA, 1 QWEL, 1 UCNP
	Pesticide Track Sunbrook C	Tree Pest Updates for Southern Utah	Marion Murray USU	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 ISA, 1 Pest-USE, 1 UCNP
9:45 am	GIVE AWAY – EXHIBIT HALL			
9:55 - 10:45 am	Tree Care Track Sunbrook A	Tree Establishment & Aftercare in the First 3-5 Years	Lisa Ortega Nevada Plants	1 DOPL- Pro, 1 ISA, 1 Pest-USE, 1 IA, 1 QWEL, 1 UCNP
	Landscape Track Sunbrook B	Cooler Roots Happier Plants: Organic vs. Rock Mulch	Judy Mielke Logan Simpson	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 UCNP
	Irrigation Track Exhibit Hall	Backflow Part 1	Paul Wait Zurn Industries	1 DOPL-Core (S330 & 5501), 1 IA, 1 QWEL, 1 UCNP
	Pesticide Track Sunbrook C	Pesticide Legislation: Recent Updates and Impacts	Henry Nahalewski UDAF	1 DOPL-Core, 1 PEST-LAW, 1 UCNP
10:50 am	GIVE AWAY – EXHIBIT HALL			
11:00 - 11:50 am	Tree Care Track Sunbrook A	How to Protect Trees During a Turf Conversion	Andy Belingheri Husqvarna	1 DOPL- Pro, 1 ISA, 1 IA, 1 QWEL, 1 UCNP
	Landscape Track Sunbrook B	The Best Plant Deals: Tried-and-True Species That Cover More for Less	Wendy Proud, Mountain States Wholesale Nursery	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 ISA, 1 UCNP
	Irrigation Track Exhibit Hall	Backflow Part 2	Paul Wait Zurn Industries	1 DOPL-Core (S330 & 5501), 1 IA, 1 QWEL, 1 UCNP
	Pesticide Track Sunbrook C	Diagnosing Abiotic vs. Biotic Plant Disorders: Avoiding Misuse of Pesticide in Southwest Landscapes	JayDee Gunnell USU	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 Pest- USE, 1 UCNP
11:50 am - 12:50 pm	LUNCH – EXHIBIT HALL Sponsored by: Rain Bird			
1:00 - 1:50 pm	Tree Care Track Sunbrook A	Optimizing Your Gear: Techniques That Cut Costs and Improve Workflow	Mark Malmstrom Arbor Aide/USU	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 ISA, 1 UCNP
	Landscape & Irrigation Track – Sunbrook B	Hydro Zoning Real Life vs Ideal Scenarios	Ryan White WCWCD	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 IA, 1 QWEL, 1 UCNP
	Pesticide Track Sunbrook C	Agave Snout Weevil: Updated Prevention & Treatment Strategies	Ben Scow USU	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 Pest- USE, 1 UCNP
2:00 - 2:50 pm	Tree Care Track Sunbrook A	Fire Blight: A Brief History, and it's Management	Joe Boffa Rainbow Ecoscience	1 DOPL- Pro, 1 ISA, 1 Pest-USE, 1 UCNP
	Landscape & Irrigation Track – Sunbrook B	Lessons Learned: Updates on Waterless Landscapes	Joseph Rawlinson Ivins City	1 DOPL- Pro, 1 IA, 1 QWEL, 1 UCNP
	Pesticide Track Sunbrook C	Drift, Runoff, and Residuals: Navigating Utah R68-7 and Federal Standards	Amy Davidson UDAF	1 DOPL- Core, 1 Pest-SAFETY, 1 UCNP
2:55 pm	GIVE AWAY – EXHIBIT HALL			
3:05 - 3:55 pm	Tree Care Track Sunbrook A	Pruning Techniques and Timing for Healthier Trees	Miles Becker USU	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 ISA, 1 UCNP
	Landscape & Irrigation Track – Sunbrook B	Navigating the New Water Efficiency Standards: How & Where the Ultra-Efficient Rules Apply	Doug Bennett WCWCD	1 DOPL-Core, 1 IA, 1 QWEL, 1 UCNP
	Pesticide Track Sunbrook C	Arundo Donax	Jake Powell USU	1 DOPL-Pro, 1 Pest- USE, 1 UCNP