

MEETING DATE: December 10, 2007

AGENDA ITEM: Consideration of the Design and Implementation of an Environmental/Educational Sign Project in Various Parks within Culver City and Consideration and Approval of Funding for the Project.

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ATTACHMENT 1

EXAMPLES OF POSSIBLE INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL FOR SIGNAGE

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<i>Picture No.</i>	<i>Description</i>
1.	Picture of a tree with explanation of benefits derived.
2.	Cartoon type picture explaining proper tree maintenance.
3.	Waterfall picture with comment regarding pollution.
4.	Cartoon type water wise vs. water waste.
5.	Cartoon type indicating water circulation and potential pollution.
6.	Picture of drought tolerant plants in a garden setting.
7.	Picture of drought tolerant plants surrounding a home.

Note: These are shown of examples only and may not actually be available for use

1.



Trees purify our air, changing
carbon dioxide to oxygen.
Planting trees, maintaining trees,
pruning trees, are all important
to maintain our quality of life.

2.



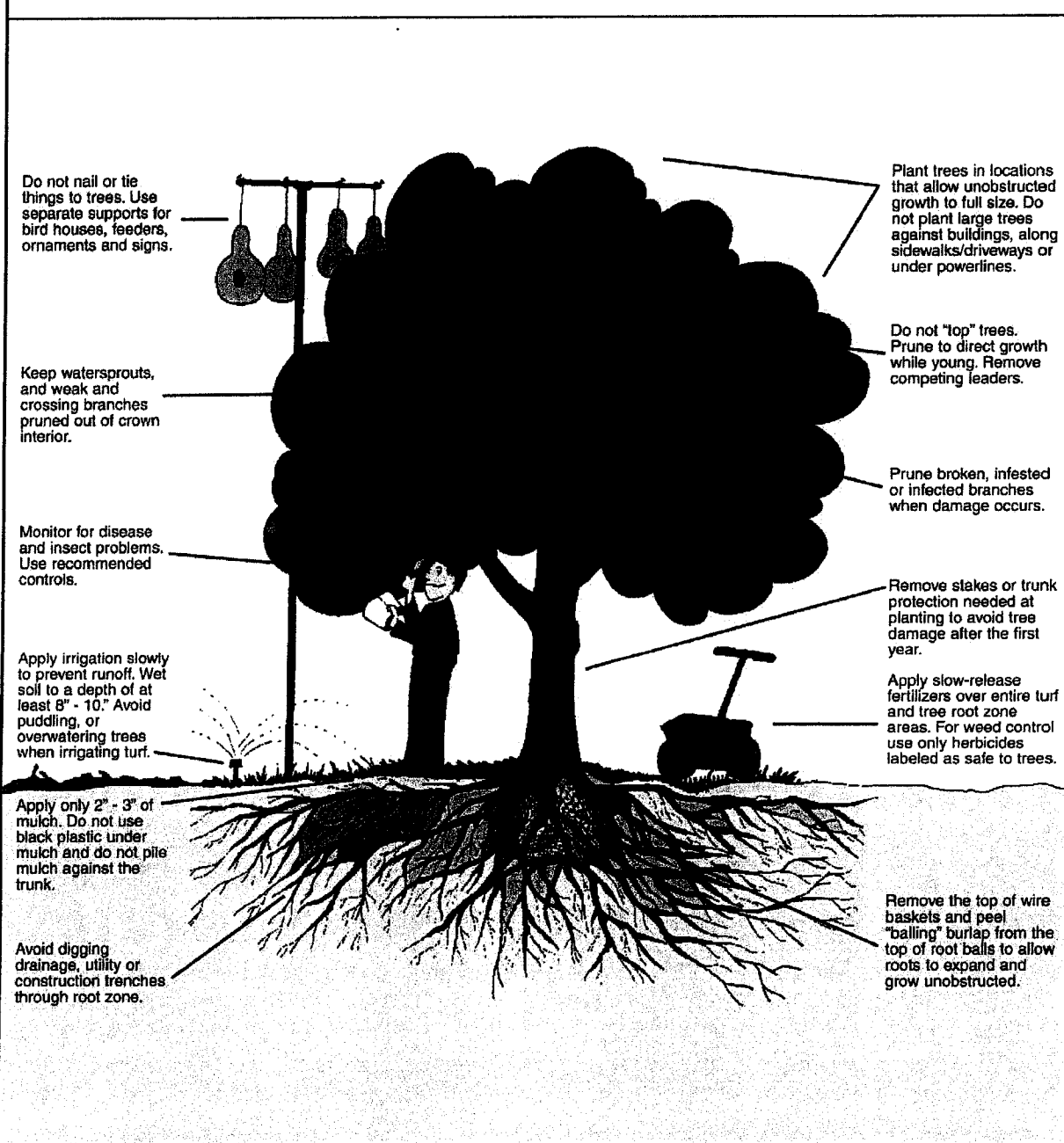
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PROPER TREE MAINTENANCE



Start trees on the path to success by selecting the right tree for the right location. Use proper planting techniques to help roots re-establish quickly, and to help trees resume pretransplant growth rates. Keep trees healthy and encourage long life by following proper tree maintenance practices.



Do not nail or tie things to trees. Use separate supports for bird houses, feeders, ornaments and signs.

Plant trees in locations that allow unobstructed growth to full size. Do not plant large trees against buildings, along sidewalks/driveways or under powerlines.

Do not "top" trees. Prune to direct growth while young. Remove competing leaders.

Prune broken, infested or infected branches when damage occurs.

Remove stakes or trunk protection needed at planting to avoid tree damage after the first year.

Apply slow-release fertilizers over entire turf and tree root zone areas. For weed control use only herbicides labeled as safe to trees.

Remove the top of wire baskets and peel "baling" burlap from the top of root balls to allow roots to expand and grow unobstructed.

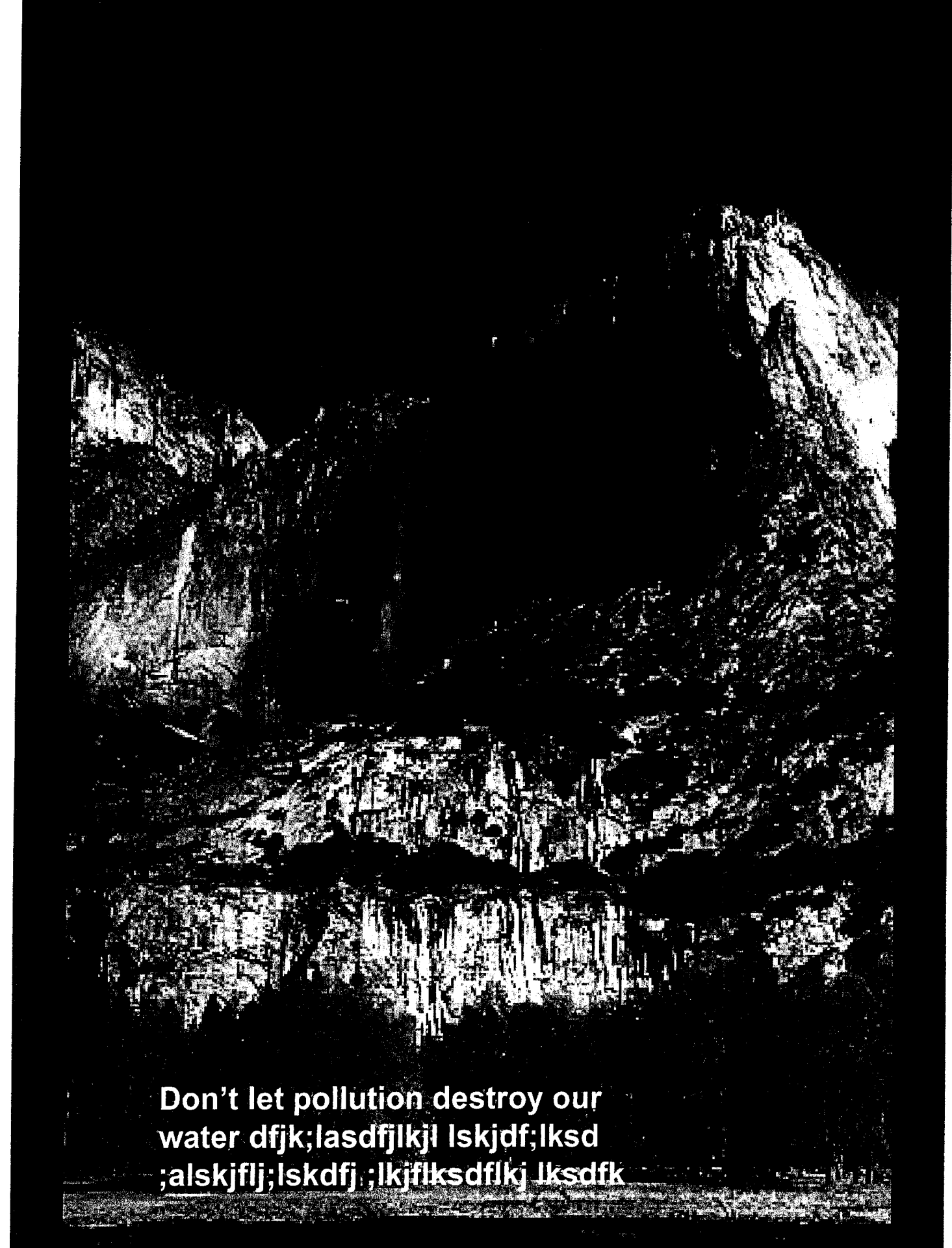
Avoid digging drainage, utility or construction trenches through root zone.

Apply only 2" - 3" of mulch. Do not use black plastic under mulch and do not pile mulch against the trunk.

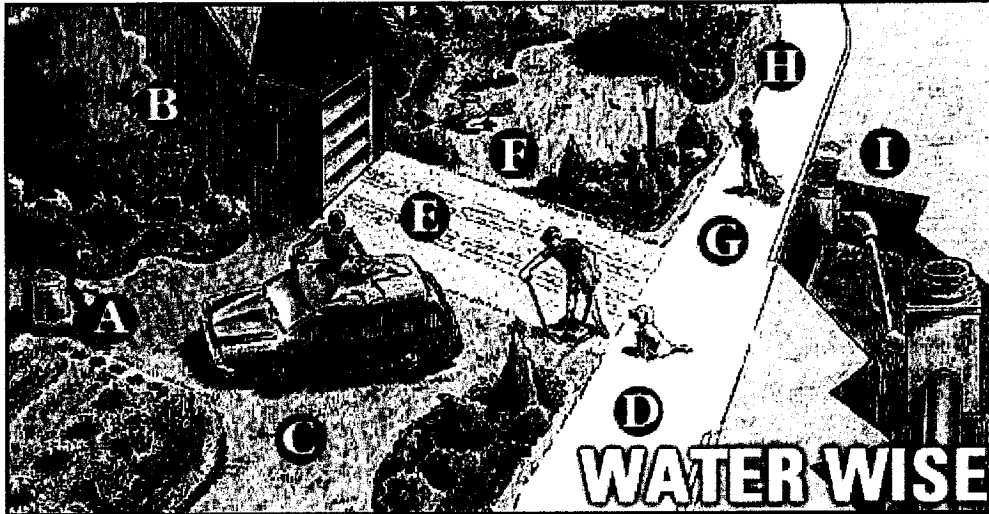
Apply irrigation slowly to prevent runoff. Wet soil to a depth of at least 8" - 10." Avoid puddling, or overwatering trees when irrigating turf.

Monitor for disease and insect problems. Use recommended controls.

Keep watersprouts, and weak and crossing branches pruned out of crown interior.



Don't let pollution destroy our
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A

Composting reduces landfill and provides environmentally friendly fertilizer.

B

Rain barrels reduce stormwater run-off and they provide water for lawns and gardens.

C

Washing vehicles with a sponge and bucket on the lawn conserves water.

D

Proper pet waste disposal helps to control bacteria and improve water quality.

E

Open surface driveways (crushed or interlocking stone) reduce run-off and replenish groundwater.

F

Hand weeding and insect removal reduces water-borne pesticides.

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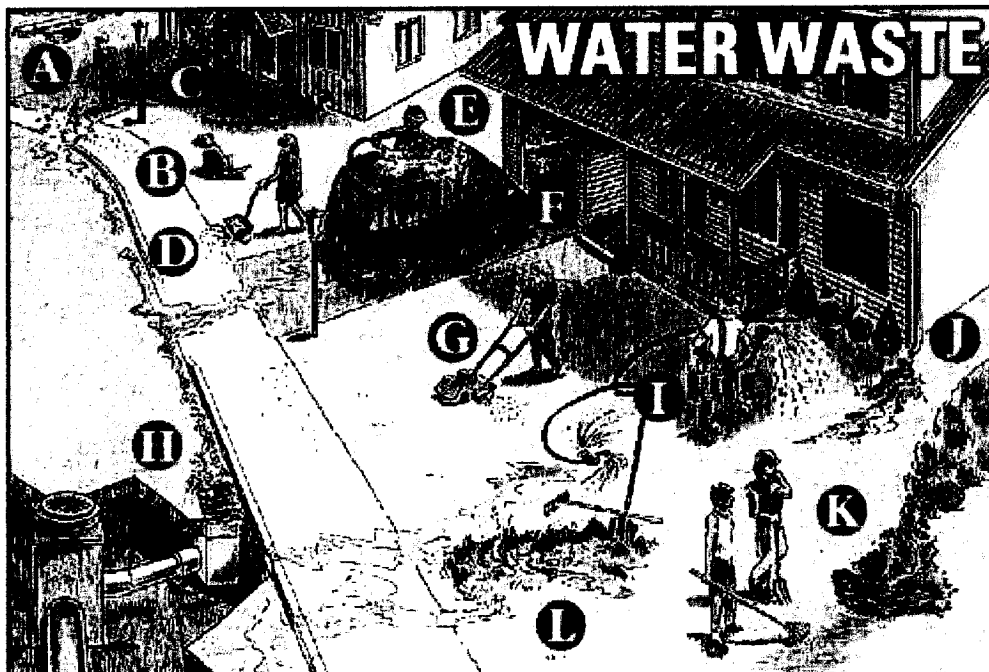
Sweeping soil and vegetation away from pavement and drains reduces silt and improves water quality.

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Open flower beds and gardens help to reduce run-off and replenish groundwater supplies.

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Be aware of stormwater awareness programs like "Yellow Fish Road."



A

Washing pavement with a hose flushes contaminants into waterways and

B

Pet droppings contribute to water-borne bacteria levels.

C

Fluid leaks from vehicles contribute chemicals to stormwater.

D

Careless fertilization adds phosphorus to waterways.

E

Washing vehicles on pavement carries contaminants into storm sewers.

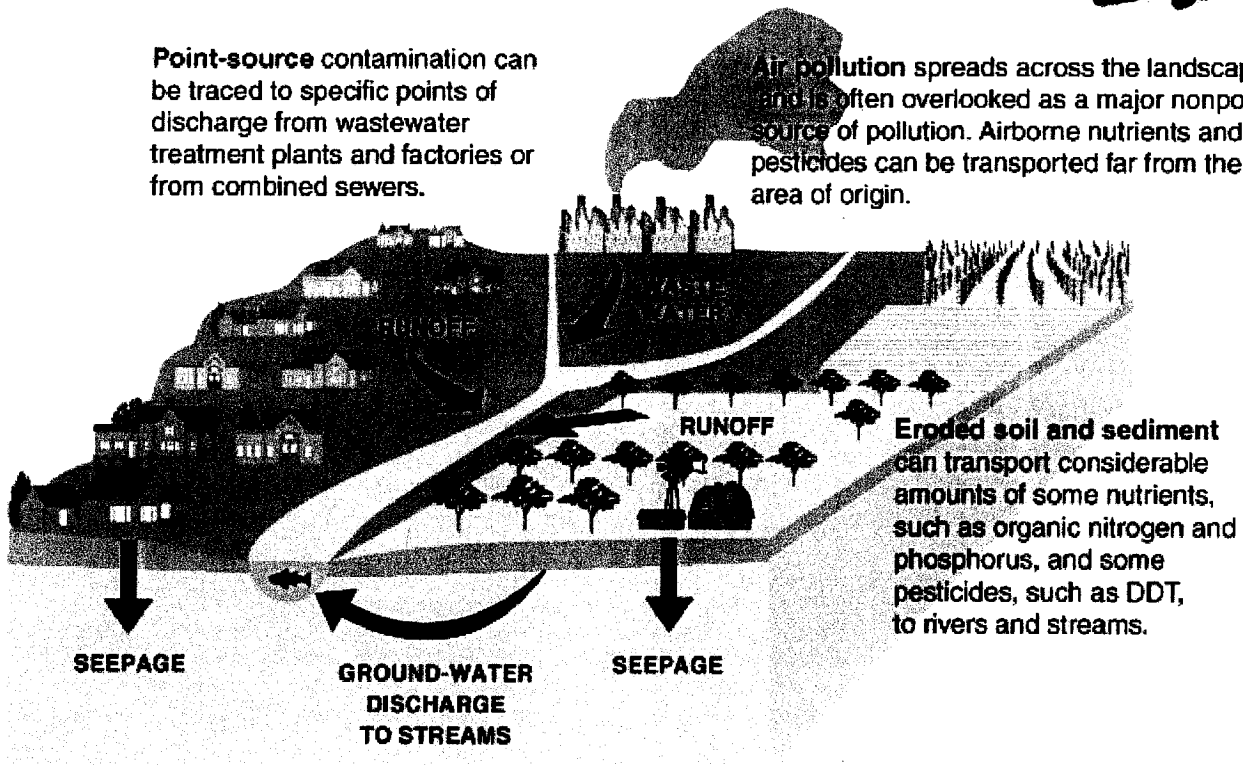
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Improper storage and disposal of pesticides can contaminate water supplies.

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Point-source contamination can be traced to specific points of discharge from wastewater treatment plants and factories or from combined sewers.

Air pollution spreads across the landscape and is often overlooked as a major nonpoint source of pollution. Airborne nutrients and pesticides can be transported far from their area of origin.



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Drought-tolerant plants are not just cactus. The plants shown here all require minimal amounts of water.

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