

GI-BMP Instructor Update – June 17, 2016

Subject: GI-BMP Updates: New modules, tools and IST info

New GI-BMP Modules Available Now (English and Spanish)

- » Major changes to Lawn & Landscape and Fertilizer Modules.
 - [See details of the changes](#)
- » Minor changes and logo updates in ALL other modules.
- » New Fertilizer Worksheet to calculate appropriate rates and applications
 - Use worksheet to add hands-on learning to the new fertilizer module.
 - Printed worksheets will be shipped with class tests.

Please download all updated modules for your next training.

<http://ffl.ifas.ufl.edu/gibmp-resources/downloads.htm>

In-Service Training Introduced New Tools and Research – Now Online

This year's IST was attended by over 40 IFAS and non-IFAS GI-BMP instructors – a record event – and included a lot of new tools and information to assist GI-BMP instructors.

2016 IST presentations, handouts and recordings are available online:

<http://ffl.ifas.ufl.edu/gibmp-resources/educational-resources.htm>

New Training and Support Items:

- » GI-BMP 2016 Agent Reporting Factsheet
- » GI-BMP Manual Update Sheet (English and Spanish)
- » CEU Procedural Guidelines for the Limited Fertilizer Application Certificate
- » Factsheet: *A Comparison of Lawn Grass Species Available for Use throughout Florida*
 - New Species comparison table
 - Guidelines for Shade tolerance

UF Extension Specialists Drs. Trenholm, Unruh and Migliaccio, and FDAC Specialists Joe Parker and Eric Reiss presented topics:

- New Fertilizer Rule & Blackout Survival Guidance
- New Turf Varieties
- CEU Provider guidance on the Limited Urban Fertilizer Certificate
- The Urban Irrigation Mobile Application

On behalf of the state GI-BMP staff and coordinators, I want to thank you for your continuing excellence in teaching and effort towards making the GI-BMP program a success year after year.

Your efforts have brought forth a greater awareness concerning urban water quality and enthusiastic participation to the GI-BMP training program. Your dedication has guided over 43,000 professionals to participate in more than 1,600 trainings statewide.