



Safergrass Workshop

for horse owners

Monroe, WA
Saturday, April 21th

With Katy Watts, Colorado agronomist
& founder of Safergrass.org

AGENDA

8:30 - 9 am	Registration
9 am	Welcome, Alayne Blickle
9:15 - 10:45 am	Factors Affecting Sugar Content of Forage, Katy Watts
10:45 - 11 am	BREAK
11 - 12:30 am	Holistic Management of the Carbohydrate Intolerant Horse, Katy Watts
12:30 - 1:30 pm	LUNCH (on own in area)
1:30 - 3 pm	Soil Minerals: The Basis of All Nutrition, Katy Watts
3 - 3:15 pm	BREAK
3:15- 5 pm	Brainstorming Session: How Did We Get Here & What Can We Do to Get Out of It?, Katy Watts

Resources for Horse Owners:

- **King Conservation District**, 425-277-5581 farm plans, technical assistance (answers questions, provides educational handouts), quarterly newsletter, tree sale, stream restoration projects, stream & wetlands fencing projects
- **WSU Extension King County**, 206-205-3100 technical assistance (answers questions), education & classes, (Master Gardener), educational handouts, newsletters, 4-H programs
- **King County Noxious Weed Control Program**, 206-296-0290 answers questions, provides handouts on ID & control methods, identifies plants & problem areas
- **King County Solid Waste Division**, Compost Hotline, 206-296-4466 technical assistance (answers questions), Master Recycler Composter training
- **King County Office of Open Spaces**, 206-296-7800 Public Benefit Rating System -- property tax reduction program
- **King County Forestry Programs**, technical assistance (KC DNR) 206-296-7821 or 296-7820; forestry/clearing/permits (KC DDES) 206-296-7166
- **Snohomish Conservation District**, 425-335-5634, farm plans, technical assistance (provides designs, answers questions), educational handouts, classes, newsletter, tree sale, stream restoration
- **WSU Cooperative Extension Snohomish Co.**, 425-338-2400, technical assistance (answers questions), education & classes (Livestock Advisors training), educational handouts, 4-H programs

Join Horses for Clean Water to learn more about pasture management – as well as cool mud & manure options – at these FREE upcoming events:

IN APRIL:

SHELTON, WA

Summer Workshop Series: Tips for Managing Horse Properties This FREE Horses for Clean Water series will meet one Monday evening a month at the Mason Conservation District in Shelton, WA. Get your property in ship shape for you & your horse to enjoy this summer! **Monday evenings, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, Shelton, WA.**

TOPICS & DATES:

- **April 23:** 6 Tips for Managing Mud on Horse Property
- **May 21:** Horse Pasture Management
- **June 18:** Natural Ways to Control Mud, Bugs & Weeds
- **July 16:** Composting & Other Useful Manure Management Options (**LOCATION TBD**)

Pre-registration is encouraged. Contact Karin Strelieff at Mason Conservation District 360-427-9436 or karinls@masoncd.org for registration & additional information.

REDMOND, WA

Spring your horse farm into summer! Tour this Redmond horse farm to learn about sacrifice areas & footing choices, dealing with paddock odor challenges, composting manure & utilizing the finished product, using free conveyor belting for mud management, and managing small pastures to make them more productive. **Saturday, April, 28th, 10am to noon.** Pre-registration is required as participation is limited. FREE! King Conservation District at 425-277-5581, ext. 125 or Roseanne.Campagna@kingcd.org.

IN MAY:

OLYMPIA, WA

Grow More Horse Pasture! Join HCW at this beautiful commercial boarding facility from 1 to 5pm on **Sunday, May 6th** in Olympia, WA for a workshop on **Horse Pasture Management**. Learn from experts about basic techniques for good pasture management including how grasses grow, creating a winter paddock, rotational grazing and managing grazing areas. We will also cover soil tests, spreading compost, weed ID & control methods, pasture equipment and horse-safe fencing. Make changes now so your pastures will be more productive & nicer to enjoy this summer as well as healthier for your horse! FREE & open to anyone! Registration & directions: Thurston County, contact Sara Carter @ 360.754.3588 or scarter@thurstoncd.com. Mason County, contact Karin Strelieff at 360.427.9436 or karinls@masoncd.org.

WOODINVILLE, WA

Tour the Hare's Lair! This beautiful Friesian horse farm combines sustainable horse keeping in a wildlife-friendly, fairy tale setting. View carefully planned out wildlife enhancement techniques where woods, streams and ponds are preserved and artfully woven around pasture areas. See a sacrifice area that doubles as an exercise area, tour a barn with many energy as well as chore efficient features and observe horse manure being composted. **BONUS:** Meet staff from Sweet PDZ and learn how this zeolite product is used on this farm to control odors. **FREE! Saturday, May 12th. TWO TIME CHOICES: either 10am to noon OR 1:30 to 3:30.** Parking will be limited to 20 cars max -- car pooling & cooperative parking encouraged. For registration: Alayne@horsesforcleanwater.com.

IN JUNE:

HOBART, WA

Beyond Where the Blacktop Ends Tour the Three Sisters Mule Farm, a private 10-acre equine property that lies above Hobart & is surrounded by Seattle's Cedar River Watershed. This pristine property is superbly managed for benefit of the mules & their humans -- as well as for the environment. See a group sacrifice area, a composting shed, rotational grazing and more management techniques that reduce mud and help with chore efficiency. **BONUS:** Learn about our unique Cedar River Watershed! **Saturday, June 9th, 10am to noon. Hobart, WA. FREE!** To register and receive a map contact the King Conservation District at 425-277-5581, ext. 125 or Roseanne.Campagna@kingcd.org.

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FALL CITY, WA

The Chore Efficient Horse Farm This small farm is big on economizing. The horse portion of this property was carefully designed & built by the owners to maximize space and chore efficiency. Everything for 3 horses has been neatly arranged on 1 acre including barn, mud-free paddocks, arena, compost bins and pasture. Hear about cooperative arrangements with neighbors that results in sharing equipment. This farm enjoys a picturesque view of the Snoqualmie River Valley -- & helps keep the waters clean, too! **BONUS:** Learn about King County Parks equestrian trails which are accessible nearby! **Wednesday, July 18th, 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Fall City, WA.** FREE! To register and receive a map contact the King Conservation District at 425-277-5581, ext. 125 or Roseanne.Campagna@kingcd.org.

Check out the website, www.HorsesforCleanWater.com, for new events added regularly!

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Please use this area to make note of your questions to ask at the end of the workshop: