

SAVE THE DATE

Sun Country Landscape Conference:

**Plant it Forward,
Plant a Tree!**

Register at www.wtuafc.org - \$75

**FRIDAY, APRIL 13 &
SATURDAY, APRIL 14**

TECH₂O CENTER, 10751 MONTANA AVE.

**Speakers include professors from NMSU,
entomologists, UTEP landscape specialists,
certified foresters and arborists,
state climatologists, horticulturists,
and many more!**

Sponsorship opportunities available!



Friday, April 13, 2018

Morning Session - 7:30 am - 12:30 pm

- 7:30 am Registration/ Sign-in
- 8:00 am **Keynote: Plant it Forward: Plant a Tree--Really? In a Desert?** - Dr. John Mexal, NMSU Crop & Environmental Science Professor Emeritus
- 8:30 am **Best Practices with the Landcape Code** - Luis Terrazas, David Parra, Jennifer Barr, Local Landscape Architects
- 9:30 am Break (Sponsored by Ewing Irrigation)
- 9:45 am **How Proper Pruning Can Improve the Life of Trees** - Mike Sills, Texas A&M Forest Service
- 10:45 am **Proper Tree Planting** - Mickey Merritt, Texas A&M Forest Service
- 11:45 pm **Green Stormwater Infrastructure (and how trees can play a role!)** - Fred Lopez and Brent Pearson, City of El Paso
- 12:45 pm Lunch



Afternoon Sessions - 1:00 pm - 4:15 pm

Break-Out Session #1

- 1:00 pm **Climate and Weather** - David DuBois, NM State Climatologist
- 2:00 pm Break (Sponsored by Ewing Irrigation)
- 2:15 pm **Introducing New Plants** - Diana de la O, UTEP
- 3:15 pm **Selection & Care of Palm Trees** - Jeff Anderson and M.L. Robinson
- 4:15 pm End of Day 1

Break-Out Session #2 (TDA credits-eligible)

- INSECTS! New, Old, What's Next?** - Dr. Carol Sutherland, New Mexico State University
- Break (Sponsored by Ewing Irrigation)
- Herbicides and Trees**- Dr. Leslie Beck, NMSU
- Pesticide Drift and the Law**- Mario Saavedra
- End of Day 1

Saturday, April 14, 2018

8:00 am - 11:30 am

- 8:00 am Registration / Sign-in
- 8:15 am **Proper Tree Planting and Pruning, Big Tree Registry, and State Arbor Day** - Mickey Merritt, Texas A&M Forest Service
- 9:45 am Break (Sponsored by Ewing Irrigation)
- 10:00 am **How Fire Spreads-- Elements of a SIMTABLE** - Mylea Lovell, Texas A&M Forest Service
- 10:45 am **Plant Selection for Homeowners** - Diana de la O, UTEP
- 11:30 am End of Day 2

