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# MythBusters:

#### Telling the Truth About Trees to Stakeholders



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# How do we tell someone they are

# WRONG?!



#### **MYTH 1:**

We should ONLY plant native species.





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- Share the science (ask the question?)
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- Natives are preferred
- Changes in climate, changes in science
- Climate Ready Trees
- What other questions do you have?



#### **MYTH 2:**

Pesticides are not part of a sustainable urban forest.





- Acknowledge the idea
- Share the science (ask the question?)
- Give alternatives
- Ask for understanding
- Understand the concern
- IPM (climate, tools, and more!)
- Biologicals, Education
- What other questions can we answer?



# MYTH 3: Plant and go!





- Acknowledge the idea
- Share the science (ask the question?)
- Give alternatives
- Ask for understanding
- Tree Planting is the new ...
- The sooner, the better!
- There are no good alternatives!
- How can we help?





## Thank you.

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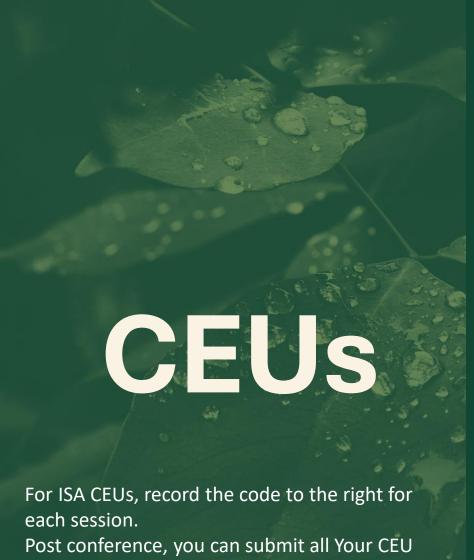
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