FALL ECOLOGICAL GARDENING





Cover Crops

REBUILD SOIL FERTILITY, ADD ORGANIC MATTER, & PROTECT SOIL FROM WINTER DAMAGE

 By early fall, sow seeds of cover crops that meet your ecological gardening goals to save money on compost and feed soil microorganisms.



Soil Testing

TEST, DON'T GUESS! MAXIMIZE SOIL HEALTH WHILE MINIMIZING INPUTS

- Test for fertility, contaminants, or other properties before soil freezes.
- Use your results to amend your soil using organic amendments either now or in early spring.



Build Healthy Soil

CREATE HEALTHY, FERTILE SOIL STARTING IN THE FALL

- Use sheet mulching, hügelkultur, or other techniques to rehabilitate established beds or create new ones.
- Add compost to annual beds or around newly planted perennials.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Concept/creation: Jennie Cramer, Sustainable Landscapes-Horticulture Program Work Team, Ainsley Rothschild, Hannah Shayler Illustrations: Kelly Finan Funding: This project was supported by Federal Capacity Funds / Smith-Lever



