The Perennial Farm

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Wholesale grower
Member since March 2018

Management and Leadership

☑ Environmentally Preferable Products and Services

The Perennial Farm has been in business for 38 years and we have many green initiatives that we have embraced and practiced at our location:

- We do not utilize neonicotinoids (an agricultural insecticide that studies have shown to be linked to declining bee populations) as part of our IPM (integrated pest management) process.
- The Perennial Farm has a program that utilizes beneficial insects, released into many of our greenhouses and around the Farm.
- All fertilizers are time release. We do not utilize liquid fertilizers since they flush out of the pot and can get into the water system.
- All plastic and cardboard materials used in the production process are recycled.
- Our potting soil is a blend of pine bark with time release fertilizer added. We do not utilize peat moss which is considered a slowly renewable resource.
- We do extensive hand-watering to conserve our water supply and minimize water runoff.
- The Perennial Farm has installed a bio-retention system for runoff containment which includes a storm water runoff pond.
- The bio-retention area has extensive native perennial planting surrounding it.
• We have and maintain a Maryland State approved nutrient management run off plan for our nursery.

☑ Environmentally Preferable Purchasing

We do not purchase neonicotinoids.

☑ Environmental Restoration or Community Environmental Projects

The Perennial Farm participates in the Maryland Dept. of Transportation, State Highway Administration’s Adopt a Highway program. Several times a year we pick up litter and recyclables on a 1-mile stretch of highway where we are located. Signs are posted with our name on each end of the stretch.

Waste

☑ Solid Waste Reduction and Reuse

We reuse winter blankets, greenhouse shade cloth, and greenhouse plastic.

☑ Recycling

We recycle plastic trays, plastic greenhouse plastic, Holland boxes, and cardboard. We estimate our total annual recycling to be 9,376 lbs.

Water

☑ Water Conservation

We do hand watering to minimize water run-off.

☑ Stormwater Management and Site Design

We have a bio-retention area with extensive native perennial planting and a storm water run-off pond.