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### Weed Control in Turf and Ornamentals

**Talk description:** When it comes to maintaining attractive lawns, trees, shrubs, and flower beds, landscape managers need to employ appropriate growing practices as well as weed management. This session will cover both turf and ornamental care, plus cultural, mechanical, and chemical weed control strategies for turf and ornamental areas.

**Biography:** Since joining University of Wyoming Extension in 2011, I have served the entire state as a horticulture specialist and state coordinator for the University of Wyoming Extension Master Gardener program. I have field experience working in commercial fruit and vegetable production, and the commercial landscape industry. I received two degrees from Oregon State University including a B.S. in horticulture emphasizing in turf and landscape management, and a M.S. in horticulture. As a graduate student, I conducted research on organic and synthetic herbicides, turf fertility, and evaluated turf variety trials. My Extension career began in 2003 and I worked as a county Extension educator for 8 years. In my current position I provide horticultural training and resources to home gardeners, Master Gardeners, and green industry professionals.