Sustainability Initiative

Conservation through Creation

A UC Irvine Climate Action Fellowship Project by Kathleen Deck

How can we bring awareness of climate change through art? The concept of this project is to let a section of grass at UCI return to its natural state, in order to visualize the transition from a simulated environment to an indigenous environment through the act of reversal.

This project involves shutting off the sprinklers in a small section of the median on Ring Road between Humanities Gateway and the Ayala Science Library. This will save 5040 gallons of water per week, and result in the appearance failure of the grass in the section. The amount of water saved will be updated weekly on temporary signage that will be installed at the site. There will be three signs in total: a title and explanation, the amount of water saved, and how the audience can get involved.

Current state:



Simulated transition state, after five weeks of saving water:



Site plan:



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