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The Environmental Institute for Golf is the philanthropic organization of GCSAA.

History of Philanthropy

- 1955 – GCSAA Scholarship and Research Fund
- 1995 – The GCSAA Foundation
- 2003 – Environmental Institute for Golf

Changes for Success

- Examined funding sources and growth opportunities
- Made organizational changes
 - Board of Trustees Structure
- Developed position to strengthen
EIFG – GCSAA Connection



New Mission



The Environmental Institute for Golf fosters sustainability through research, awareness, education, programs and scholarships for the benefit of golf course management professionals, golf facilities and the game.

EIFG Goals

Goal #1

Strengthen EIFG donor base and raise funds to fulfill the financial appropriations for GCSAA research, advocacy, education, environmental programs and scholarships.

Goal #2

Increase awareness of the GCSAA programs, services, tools and data collection that are funded by the EIFG in order to drive change and enable staff and members to advocate on behalf of the golf course management industry.





The EIFG Profile

Four years, five surveys, thousands of superintendents, one mission: a collection of data that documents environmental management practices on U.S. golf courses. The GCSAA Golf Course Environmental Profile is the most comprehensive study ever of its kind.



Environmental Programs



Research



Scholarships



Awareness

EIFG News

[Gift from Melrose launches Leadership Academy](#)

Ken Melrose, retired CEO and Chairman The Toro Co., has donated \$1 million for the EIFG to support the professional development of superintendents by providing individuals the opportunity to attend the GCSAA Education Conference and Golf Industry Show.

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[ELGA winners announced](#)

Tim Powers, CGCS, leads the pack of superintendents and golf facilities lauded for their environmental stewardship in the 2011 GCSAA/Golf Digest Environmental Leaders in Golf Awards.

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Our Mission



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- Course & Facility Home »**

Conference and show



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News

PCNB back on market for turf

The EPA has approved Amer...
 PCNB snow mold fungicide p...
 course turf and other markets

GCSAA's Lyman to talk "green" on the Golf Channel

The channel continues its "Green is Universal" coverage as Greg Lyman, director of environmental programs, joins "The Morning Drive" talk show on Dec. 2 at 7:45 a.m. (Eastern).

H-2B visa wage rule effective Jan. 1, 2012

H.R. 2112, signed by President Obama on Nov. 18, says no 2012 federal funding can be used to enforce the new H-2B visa wage rule this year.

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Highlights

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[IPM Planning Guide](#)

A complete set of templates and reference materials to help you build a plan for your course.

Sustainability



AND YOUR BOTTOM LINE

Sustainability may sound like the feel-good trend of today, but it means business. It's not just about the bottom line, it's about the triple bottom line: people, planet and profit. But is there a case for sustainability in the golf industry? You bet. Find out what it really means and how some facilities have made a big difference on all three fronts.

[Learn more »](#)

In the Forums

[Duck weed](#)

1 week ago, 436 views, 6 replies

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Creating habitat, naturalizing areas

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Buffer strips, nutrient management, wash pads

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Planning, management techniques

Get Started

Even small steps can make a very big difference. Find tips to help you get started today, learn about programs that can help set you on the right path, and take a look at the best management practices that have been established for the golf industry.

[See the quick start guide »](#)
[Guide to environmental programs »](#)

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Education

Committed to providing progressive, relevant and affordable education

Environmental Programs

Profile reports, case studies, awards

EIFG Supports:

Advocacy

Providing a voice for the industry

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Telling the story of golf

EIFG Supports:

Scholarships

- Opportunities for students pursuing careers in the golf course industry
- Future turfgrass researchers and educators
- Children and grandchildren of GCSAA members
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Research

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Supporting the EIFG

Sandy Queen, CGCS, EIFG Vice President



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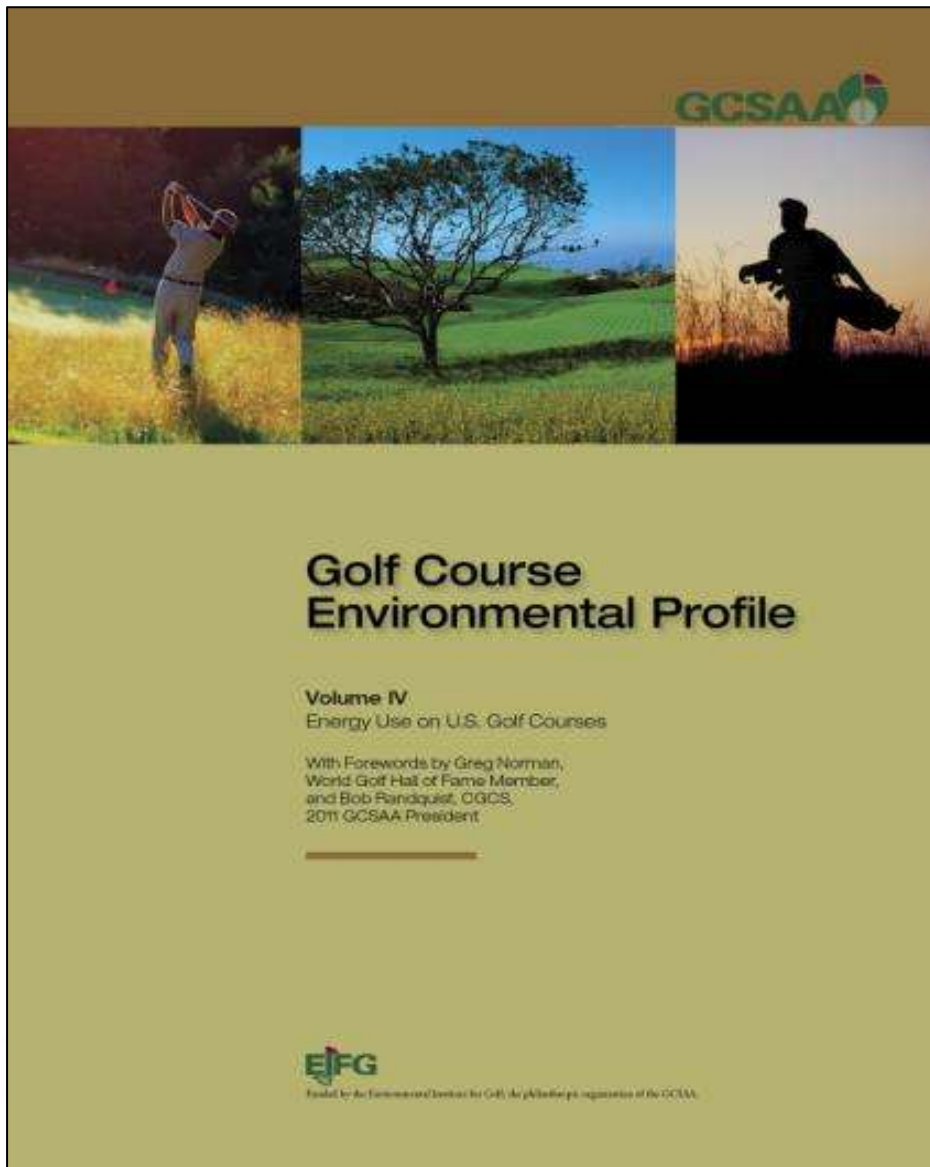
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Greg Lyman,
GCSAA Environmental Programs Director



Programs Update



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Lance Rogers, CGCS Colonia Country Club



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We could not have achieved as much as we have thus far without the support of individuals and industry partners like you -- many are here with us in Vegas. The future looks bright and we appreciate your continued support.

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