

# **APRIL**Environmental Newsletter

"Time spent among tress is never time wasted."

· Anonymous



Coming into April, we can expect to see plenty of Showers, especially as we prepare for May Flowers. This month contained our annual celebration of Earth Day, as we show you care for the environment and Earth in any number of ways. The marks our 54<sup>th</sup> official celebration of the holiday known as Earth Day. This month has evolved from purely celebrating the Earth to advocating for it's protection and importance.

# **Earth Day**

Beginning April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1970, Earth Day is oft seen as the start of the modern-day environmentalists' actions. It exists on this date between college student's final exam and spring break. It predates the EPA and begins as a way for students to advocate and fight for more positive environmental conditions and has remained with humanity since.



### **Reforestation Efforts Continue**

British Columbia has cause for celebration, their reforestation project running since the 1930s, has seen it's 10 billionth tree planted. This is wonderful as the government works to return forests to how they were pre-human intervention, supporting ecosystems and promoting diversity.

This is a massive milestone, and the province only continues to increase funding and goals as we venture into the future.

## **Warmest April on Record**

The average global temperature this April was approximately 1.3°C above precious average temperatures. This is in a recorded history of temperatures dating back hundreds of years. This is causing significantly more harsh conditions globally including drought, unhospitable temperatures, outbreaks of disease, severe weather and more sea ice to melt.

Temperatures are only expected to rise in the coming years, the worst is yet to come.