#### **AVAILABLE SPECIES:**

#### **Conifer Trees**

Eastern Redcedar Juniper, Rocky Mountain

\*Austrian Pine Black Hills Spruce

Colorado Blue Spruce Jack Pine
\*Norway Spruce Ponderosa Pine
South Western White Pine \*Scotch Pine

#### **Broadleaf Trees**

American Elm Amur Maple
\*Black Walnut \*Catalpa

Cottonwood Crabapple, Manchurian

Green Ash Hackberry

Honeylocust Kentucky Coffee Tree

\*Manchurian Apricot Bur Oak

Red Oak Swamp White Oak

Silver Maple

Chokecherry

#### **Shrubs**

American Plum Buffaloberry

Caragana Chokeberry, McKenzie

Cotoneaster

Currant \*Dogwood, Red-osier

Hazelnut

Lilac, Common Nanking Cherry Serviceberry Sumac Skunkbush

Woods Rose

Elderberry

Tree orders are subject to availability at the nursery. Other species and tree sizes may be available, prices may vary. Contact your local NRCS office. Care of seedlings including weed control and frequent watering are of vital importance in order to improve survivability.

\*Consider limiting numbers on these species or there is limited availability. Black Walnut has a canker disease that is killing them. Both Austrian Pine and Scotch Pine are being attacked by pine wilt disease that kills the tree. Green Ash is also being attacked by the Emerald Ash Borer. To Order Trees, Contact your County NRCS office.

# **Franklin County NRCS**

805 16th Avenue Franklin, NE 68939 308-425-6276 ext. 3

# **Furnas County NRCS**

P.O. Box 427 Beaver City, NE 68926 308-268-2215 ext. 3

# **Harlan County NRCS**

707 North Kennedy Alma, NE 68920 308-928-2626 ext. 3

# **Nuckolls County NRCS**

P.O. Box 307 Nelson, NE 68961 402-225-2311 ext. 3

# **Webster County NRCS**

20 North Webster Red Cloud, NE 68970 402-746-2268 ext. 3

This pamphlet was prepared by the staff of the Lower Republican NRD. Any questions you may have will be answered by calling the Lower Republican NRD or the NRCS office in your county.

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# Lower Republican Natural Resources District **Tree Program**

Protecting Lives, Protecting Property, Protecting the Future



PO Box 618 30 North John Street Alma, NE 68920

Telephone: (308) 928-2182 Or (800) 353-1297 Fax: (308) 928-2317 www.lrnrd.org

#### MACHINE PLANTED WINDBREAKS

Contact your county NRCS for help in determining the type and number of trees needed. The technician will make arrangements for the tree order and planting service. The trees will be planted according to the plan.

Trees are planted in the spring as soon as conditions are suitable. The NRD tree coordinators will notify landowners as to the approximate date and time of the planting. The minimum order for trees is a full bundle (25 or 50 trees).

#### PLANTING YOUR OWN TREES

Trees to be planted by the cooperator, hand-plants, can be ordered at the NRCS office. The minimum order for hand-plant trees is a full bundle (25 or 50 trees).

## DEADLINE TO ORDER TREES

Deadlines for placing these orders are the first Friday in March for machine plants and the second Friday in March for the hand-plants. Customers are notified when their hand-plant trees are available.

## WEED CONTROL

Proper weed control is vitally important to successful tree planting. Weed control in the form of conservation mulch is available through the Lower Republican NRD. This woven material is installed over the trees after planting. Slots are then cut for the trees. Conservation mulch not only eliminates weeds but also helps to preserve soil moisture.



## **COST**

Standard Tree Price: \$0.90 per tree (Trees will only be sold in full bundles of 25 or 50)

Small Acreage Bundle: \$55.00/50 trees

Rotovation: \$0.16 per foot

(\$100.00 minimum charge)

<u>Planting Charge:</u> \$1.05 per tree (\$100.00 minimum charge)

## **Conservation Mulch & Installation:**

Fabric Mulch & Installation \$0.87 per foot Material Only for self install (750 ft. x 6 ft. roll) \$315.00 per roll

# <u>Underground Drip Tape:</u>

Drip Tape & Installation \$0.41 per foot (Install tape only, additional cost for parts and hookups)

\*All prices are subject to tax.

# **BILLING ON NRD PLANTINGS**

Trees will be paid for at the time the order is placed at the NRCS office. The Lower Republican NRD will bill for tree planting service, conservation mulch, and drip tape after the project is completed. Full payment is due upon receipt of the billing. Cost share forms will not be finalized until payment is received at the Lower Republican NRD or the NRCS office.

#### SITE PREPARATION

The Lower Republican NRD offers a contract tilling service in the Spring only for anyone who wants their tree planting site properly tilled.

Fall Tilling is required for plantings proposed in lands that are currently in permanent cover such as grasslands or alfalfa.

## COST

\$.16 per foot, \$100.00 minimum charge



## **COST SHARE**

Cost share funds for trees, drip tape (only), and/or conservation mulch are available for landowners only through the Lower Republican NRD Tree Program at a cost share rate of 50%. Applications should be made at your county NRCS office by the second Friday in March. The Lower Republican NRD will cost share on a minimum of 100 trees, or if the total cost is \$100 or greater to establish a tree planting site. A landowner is eligible to receive a maximum of \$2,000 cost share per year in this program. Reimbursement is made only after the Lower Republican NRD has received full payment of the account and is subject to final inspection of the job, site after completion.