



2024 CONSERVATION TREE PROGRAM

LEWIS AND CLARK NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT



Each spring the Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District (LCNRD) distributes tree seedlings and provides planting services for conservation purposes such as windbreaks, shelterbelts, and wildlife habitat. Orders are accepted beginning October 1st through March 31st. Planning assistance is available through local Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) offices for preparing tree planting plans that meet your conservation needs.

TREE ORDERS – Order deadline is March 31, 2024 (place order early to ensure availability either at LCNRD or NRCS)

AVAILABLE TREES, SHRUBS & PLANTS

Shrubs

- Buffaloberry
- Chokeberry, McKenzie
- Chokecherry
- Cotoneaster, Peking
- Currant, Golden
- Dogwood, Redosier
- Elderberry
- Hazelnut
- Lilac, Common
- Lilac, Vilosa
- Plum, American
- Indigo, False
- Sumac, Skunkbush

Deciduous

- Catalpa
- Cottonwood
- Crabapple
- Hackberry
- Honeylocust
- Maple, Amur
- Maple, Silver
- Oak, Bur
- Oak, Red
- Oak, Swamp White
- Walnut, Black

Conifers

- Cedar, Eastern Red
- Pine, Jack
- Pine, Ponderosa
- Pine, Ponderosa (plugs)
- Pine, Southern White
- Spruce, Colorado Blue
- Spruce, Colorado Blue (plugs)
- Spruce, Black Hills
- Spruce, Black Hills (plugs)
- Spruce, Norway

Plants

- Milkweed, Butterfly
- Milkweed, Swamp



Other species may be available upon request. For descriptions and pictures, go to:

https://www.nrdnet.org/sites/default/files/tree_booklet_2023_low_res.pdf



PRICING

Seedling Trees/Shrubs/Plants	\$32.50 per bundle	Includes 25 bareroot seedlings or plugs
Small Acreage Package	\$37.50 per package	3 Blue Spruce, 2 Bur Oak, 2 Hackberry, 5 Chokecherry, 5 American Plum, 3 Redosier Dogwood
NRD Tree Planting Charge	\$1.30 per tree	Minimum planting charge of \$325.00 \$4.00 per mile go back charge
Weed Mats	\$3.50 each	4' x 4' mat with 5 (8") staples
Weed Barrier	\$225.00 per roll	500' x 6' roll
Staples	8 inch \$0.20 each	10 inch \$0.25 each
Coco tree mats	\$45.00 per bundle	Includes 25 mats w/3 staples per mat

LCNRD MACHINE PLANTED TREE SEEDLINGS – In March, LCNRD will inform landowners of the intended planting schedule for sites that will be planted through the NRD program. If ground is in sod, it must be fall prepared. Contact local NRCS for ground preparation needs to ensure the site is prepared properly. When installing weed barrier, tillage strips need to be a minimum of 8 feet wide for proper installation.

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THINGS TO REMEMBER:

Windbreak design and cost share for windbreaks is available through your local NRCS. Cost share applications must be approved prior to beginning any work. Receipts will be required for all reimbursements. Site preparation is recommended to be completed the fall before planting is to occur. Landowners are responsible for site preparation including flagging, discing, roto tilling, ripping, and/or chiseling. If the site is in any kind of sod, roto tilling is required for planting.

Expect to pay for seedlings and weed barrier at the time a tree plan is drawn up. Tree planting services will be billed after the trees are planted. Weed barrier installation will be billed by private contractor. Rolls of weed barrier, weed mats and staples are available through LCNRD.

LCNRD will send a letter to inform all machine planting cooperators of the planting start date. The letter will be final notice to have the site prepared. There is a "Go Back Charge" if the site is not prepared of \$4.00/mile round trip.

If purchasing weed barrier, you will need to line up a **Weed Barrier Installer**. Minimum tillage strips 8 feet wide are needed for installation.

- **Weed Barrier Only Services**
 - **Mike Kumm**, 87860 530 Ave, Winnetoon NE 68789, Ph. 402-394-1118
 - **Chris Schmidt**, 87930 Hwy 57, Hartington NE 68739, Ph. 402-841-3929 (Limited Availability)

- **Weed Barrier & Roto tilling Services**
 - **Brett Kleinschmit**, 116 Frontier Lane, Yankton SD 57078, Ph. 605-660-6566

- **Roto tilling Only Services**
 - **Scott Fischer**, 503 N. Robinson Ave, Hartington NE 68739, Ph. 402-254-6369 or 402-841-3277
 - **Jarod Mellem**, 89023 553 Ave, Crofton NE 68730, Ph. 402-358-0451

CONTACT THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES FOR ASSISTANCE IN ORDERING TREES AND DEVELOPING PLANS

- **Cedar Co. NRCS 402-254-6858 Ext. 3**
102 E Elm Street, Hartington, NE 68739
- **Dixon Co. NRCS 402-755-2955 Ext. 3**
105 E 4th Street, Ponca, NE 68710

- **Knox Co. NRCS 402-373-4914 Ext. 3**
111 N Washington St, Bloomfield, NE 68718

Lewis and Clark Natural Resources District, 608 N Robinson Ave, PO Box 518, Hartington NE 68739
Ph: 402-254-6758, Email: lcnrd@hartel.net, Website: lcnrd.nebraska.gov

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