



Central Platte NRD
215 Kaufman Avenue
Grand Island NE 68803
(308) 385-6282

TREE ORDER FORM

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____
PHONE: _____
EMAIL: _____
COUNTY OF DELIVERY: _____
(Handplants only: Hall, Merrick, Buffalo, Dawson or Polk)

Date of Order: _____

Please mark one:
HANDPLANT DISTRICT PLANT WINDBREAK RENOVATION: Y or N
_____ 1/4 Section _____ Township _____ Range _____
(Only required to fill out legal on district plant order)

All tree orders are accepted subject to availability. **THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO SURVIVAL GUARANTEE ON STOCK**

SOLD BY THE DISTRICT OR PLANTED BY THE DISTRICT.

Must order in multiples of 25, except for the Packages.

Costs: 25 trees for \$17.50 / Packages (50 trees) \$42.00

CONIFERS	HARDWOODS	SHRUBS	PACKAGES
Austrian Pine <input type="checkbox"/>	American Elm <input type="checkbox"/>	American Plum <input type="checkbox"/>	Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/>
CO Blue Spruce <input type="checkbox"/>	Black Cherry <input type="checkbox"/>	American Hazel <input type="checkbox"/>	Flowering <input type="checkbox"/>
Eastern Red Cedar <input type="checkbox"/>	Black Walnut <input type="checkbox"/>	Amur Maple <input type="checkbox"/>	Eastern <input type="checkbox"/>
Jack Pine <input type="checkbox"/>	Bur Oak <input type="checkbox"/>	Black Chokeberry <input type="checkbox"/>	Western <input type="checkbox"/>
Ponderosa Pine <input type="checkbox"/>	Catalpa <input type="checkbox"/>	Caragana <input type="checkbox"/>	
SW White Pine <input type="checkbox"/>	Cottonwood <input type="checkbox"/>	Chokecherry <input type="checkbox"/>	
Rocky Mtn Juniper <input type="checkbox"/>	Hackberry <input type="checkbox"/>	Common Lilac <input type="checkbox"/>	
Norway Spruce <input type="checkbox"/>	Honeylocust <input type="checkbox"/>	Elderberry <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Kentucky Coffeetree <input type="checkbox"/>	Golden Currant <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Manchurian Apricot <input type="checkbox"/>	Peking Cotoneaster <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Midwest Crabapple <input type="checkbox"/>	Red-Osier Dogwood <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Red Oak <input type="checkbox"/>	Sandcherry <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Red Maple <input type="checkbox"/>	Serviceberry <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Silver Maple <input type="checkbox"/>	Silver Buffaloberry <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Swamp White Oak <input type="checkbox"/>	Skunkbush Sumac <input type="checkbox"/>	
		False Indigo <input type="checkbox"/>	

Total number of trees ordered (# x 0.70) _____

Total number of packages ordered (# x 42) _____

Pre-Total _____

10% Discount if ordered before December 31st 10.00% _____

SUB-TOTAL _____

TAX 7.00% _____

TOTAL DUE TODAY _____

PAYMENT (please mark one):
Cash _____
Check # _____
Make checks payable to the Central Platte NRD

I understand that the above charges are for trees only:

Landowner or Operator

Trees Received by:

(For Handplants Only)

DATE: _____

College Scholarship Applications Due March 15th

In memory of former CPNRD general manager Ron Bishop, the NRD provides 10 college scholarships annually in the amount of \$1,000 per student. Applicants are ranked according to grade level and major. Preference is given to those majoring in, or already enrolled in, a natural resources field. Return applicants and recipients are welcome to apply.

Requirements: The following must be submitted with the application: your college or high school GPA, high school ACT and an essay (500 words or less). Applications will be reviewed by CPNRD's Programs Committee. Names and towns are to be left off of the essay portion of the application to ensure a fair process.

Applications must be postmarked by March 15, 2016 to be considered.

Some of the careers that qualify for the scholarship: Agronomy, Applied Science/Diversified Agriculture, Biologist/Biochemistry in Natural Resources, Civil Engineering, Conservationist, Environmental Studies, Environmental Education, Geographic Information Systems, Geological Engineering, Grazing Livestock System, Hydrologist, Hydrogeologist, Mechanized Systems, Soil & Water Conservation, Rangeland Management, Resources Conservationist, Engineer, Vocational Ag Educator, Water Resources Specialist, etc.

The application may be downloaded at www.cpnrd.org or request to receive an application by mail or email. Contact Marcia Lee at: (308) 385-6282 or lee@cpnrd.org to receive an application.

If you'd like to receive the *In Perspective* via email or direct mail, please send your address to: lee@cpnrd.org.

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Ice Jam Safety Precautions

Do you own property along the Platte River? With river flows predicted to be above average this winter, flood potential does exist. Landowners are being cautioned to be prepared for flooding, especially those who have experienced ice jam flooding events in the past.

You may be wondering why the potential for ice jams is higher in some years and not others? Ice jams occur with changing temperatures such as a hard freeze followed by a quick thaw. During the cold winter and early spring months, ice begins to form in the river. When there is enough ice, it will "jam" up the river and create blockages to the water flow. This forces the water out of its banks and creates a flood.

Consider the following if you live near the Platte River:

- 1. Ice Jam flooding can occur quickly.** In just a matter of hours, channels can become clogged and flooding may occur. Once ice begins to clog a waterway, the water can back up quickly. If you live near a channel with ice, be constantly aware of the level of the water. Be prepared to evacuate.
- 2. Ice Jams can occur from December-March.** Although ice jams can occur whenever the weather is cold enough; historically most ice jams form in January, February, and March.
- 3. Flood waters can be deep.** Whenever there are rushing floodwaters, roads and bridges can be washed away quickly making it nearly impossible to tell how deep the water is. Although it may look shallow, do not drive into flooded, potentially washed out areas. People have been trapped in their vehicles or have drowned when trying to cross moving flood waters. A good phrase to remember is: **"Turn Around, Don't Drown!"**
- 4. It pays to be prepared. Build A Kit:** Assemble enough emergency supplies for at least 3 days including:

- **Water/Food:** 1 gallon of water per person per day for at least 3 days; for drinking and sanitizing food. Have at least a 3-day supply of non-perishable food and can opener.
- **Radio:** Battery-powered or hand-crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert.
- **Emergency Items:** flashlight, first aid kit, whistle to signal for help, wrench/pliers to turn off utilities, cell phone and charger, inverter, or solar charger; extra batteries for all emergency items.

Family Planning: Discuss where to meet and a friend to call if you get separated. Make- an evacuation plan and practice it, a list of important information. Share emergency phone numbers with all family members.

Be Informed: Learn about types of emergencies most likely to affect your community and adapt them to your personal circumstances. Make every effort to follow instructions received from authorities.

In an emergency, contact 911. Emergency Manager information for counties in the CPNRD:
Boone, Merrick, Nance Counties- Thomas Smith (308) 536-4443 Cell: 308-550-1685
Buffalo County- Darrin Lewis (308) 233-3225 Hall County- Jon Rosenlund (308) 385-5360
Hamilton- Kirt Smith or Tom Cox (402) 694-5126
Phelps, Gosper, Hitchcock, Frontier- Patrick Gerdes (308) 995-2250

Action Delayed on Proposed Management Area Changes

The Central Platte Natural Resources District's board of directors voted to delay action on their proposal to move southern Hall and northern Hamilton counties (south of the Platte River) from a Phase I to a Phase II Groundwater Management Area.

Three landowners testified at the public hearing held just prior to the Board of Directors meeting on Thursday. Their testimony will be reviewed and action will be considered at the January 21, 2016 board of directors meeting.

The board proposed the change due to increasing nitrate levels in those areas. The CPNRD's Groundwater Quality Rules & Regulations require areas with nitrate level concentrations of 7.6 to 15 parts per million (ppm) to be placed in a Phase II area. Maps of the proposed areas and the Rules and Regulations are available for download on the NRD's website at: www.cpnrd.org and available at the CPNRD office.

Because the phases are by area, individual wells in a Phase Area may be higher or lower than the designated range of nitrate concentrations. Other factors, including proximity to a municipal water supply and vadose zone nitrates are also used in determining the Phase Areas. (Vadose zone is the area between root zone and water table.)

Producers have been instrumental in the success of the program by implementing best management practices and newer, more efficient technologies as they are developed. Maps of the proposed areas are available for download on CPNRD's website at: www.cpnrd.org and at the Central Platte NRD office.

Candidate Election Information

Incumbent filing deadline is February 16, 2016. Non-incumbent deadline is March 1, 2016.

Chemigation Training Dates

The Nebraska Chemigation Act was passed in 1987 to help ensure that the ground and surface waters of the state would not be contaminated by backflow of chemicals from irrigation water application systems used to apply crop nutrients and pesticides (chemigation). The law requires a person directly involved in calibrating and monitoring a chemigation system to be certified by the Nebraska Dept. of Environmental Quality (NDEQ). To become a certified applicator, the law stipulates that the person attend a training session and pass a written exam to verify their knowledge of the Chemigation Act requirements. The NDEQ has subcontracted with UNL Extension to provide the training, proctor the exam, and deliver the results of the exam.

Several trainings will be scheduled this winter. Below are two trainings scheduled to date in our District:

- * Thursday, February 25- 1:30PM @ Elks Club, 820 J St. Cozad NE
- * Wednesday, March 2- 1:30PM @ 3807 Ave N, Buffalo County Fairgrounds, Kearney NE

Visit <http://deq.ne.gov/NDEQProg.nsf/OnWeb/Chemtra1> for additional dates.

Certification is good for four years, after which renewals are required. Current permits expire June 1 of each year. Applications will be mailed to you after February 1st. To renew your permit, send the \$20 permit fee and application form to CPNRD by June 1. Renewal permits can be issued without an inspection, however, CPNRD is required to reinspect systems in operation on a spot-check basis.

For more information on whether you need to attend a Chemigation Training, contact Sandy Noecker at (308) 385-6282.

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UPCOMING EVENT



CPNRD Winter Information Meeting

Thursday, February 4, 2016 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Buffalo County Fairgrounds, 3807 Ave N, Kearney NE

Plan to attend the CPNRD Winter Information Meeting as staff presents information on CPNRD's three new websites, new projects and programs. Attendance at this meeting replaces the requirement to take the Nitrogen Management Certification test.

Staff will present information on:

- Finding information important to you on CPNRD's new general website, Facebook & Twitter pages.
- How to fill out the new online Crop Reporting Form for the Water Quality Management Program.
- Logging in and maneuvering through the new Certification/Transfers website.
- Project SENSE results from producers using in-season nitrogen applications.
- Water Quantity Programs ...And much more

Lunch will be provided at no charge. Check the CPNRD website for an updated agenda: www.cpnrd.org.

RSVP with Marcia for lunch count at (308) 385-6282 or lee@cpnrd.org.



Conservation & Service Awards

Lt. Governor Mike Foley and Grand Island Mayor Jeremy Jensen were in attendance on December 17th as landowners Tim Williams, Lindley Thatcher and Bart Beattie received recognition for their successes in water, soil and grassland conservation efforts.



Conservation Award winners holding their signs of recognition provided by Great Western Bank. Pictured from left: Lyndon Vogt, CPNRD general manager; Lt. Governor Mike Foley; Judy & Lindley Thatcher-Grassland Conservation Award; Bart Beattie-Cropland Conservation Award; Tammy & Tim Williams-Community Leader Award; Tanya Stephens, market president-Great Western Bank.

Staff service awards were also presented to Dean Krull, UNL/CPNRD demo project coordinator for 35 years of service and Shelly Lippincott, field office secretary for 15 years of service.

Pictured from left: Lyndon Vogt, CPNRD general manager; Lt. Governor Mike Foley and Dean Krull, UNL/CPNRD demo project coordinator. Lippincott was unable to attend the ceremony.



Place Your Order for Spring Planting 25 TREES FOR \$17.50

Are you planning to establish or improve your windbreaks? Place your order now for seedling trees, shrubs and weed barrier to get the species that you need.

TREE COST: \$0.70/each + tax **SEEDLINGS SOLD IN BUNDLES OF 25**
WEED BARRIER: \$0.50 per linear foot **Must purchase a minimum of 50'.**
*If you'd like CPNRD to plant your trees, contact the NRD or your local NRCS office.
For descriptions and photos of what the seedlings will look like fully grown visit:
www.nrdtrees.org

50% cost share is available on Trees & Weed Barrier, with a minimum order of 200 trees.

HOW TO ORDER:

Fill out the order form on the back side of this page or you may order in person at Central Platte NRD or your local Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

Central Platte NRD: (308) 385-6282

NRCS Offices Lexington: (308) 324-6318

Grand Island: (308) 382-0814

Kearney: (308) 237-3118

Central City: (308) 946-2251

Mail the Order Form (on back) to: Central Platte NRD, 215 Kaufman Ave, Grand Island NE 68803.

Groundwater Foundation's Girl Scout App

Attention all girl scouts and leaders! The Groundwater Foundation has a new program aimed towards girl scouts called **Let's Keep It Clean**. This fun, interactive program is aimed to foster long-term environmental stewardship and offers experience-based learning for Girl Scouts of all ages! Each Girl Scout level has two corresponding patches to:

- Learn about the water you drink and the water that grows your food.
- Take action to protect this precious resource.
- Teach others how to be water stewards!
- Activity instruction guides and video tutorials make incorporating groundwater activities easy!



"What a great way to show both my 6th grade Cadettes and the younger girls how important it is to take care of the Earth and especially our water!"

-Carrie Mathison, troop leader

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