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RRCA ENCOURAGES TREE PLANTING EFFORTS IN WATERSHED

Cornwall, ON (December 20, 2016) The Raisin Region Conservation Authority (RRCA) is once again proud to offer watershed residents the opportunity to beautify their property with a variety of conifers as well as deciduous trees and shrubs. Whether your goal is to plant a windbreak, provide wildlife habitat, improve the shoreline or simply add to existing landscape – this program is for you!

All seedlings are indigenous species often unavailable at local nurseries. This bulk purchase by the RRCA allows for acquiring these trees on a cost recovery basis. No long drives out of town, no excessive gas consumption and a reduction in your own carbon footprint.

“As the old Chinese proverb says, the best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago and the next best time is now”, according to RRCA Forestry Specialist Normand Génier. He went on to say that “Our goal is to make it as easy as possible for people to plant trees in our watershed.” He also added that “Tree planting subsidies are always available for landowners with greater than 1 hectare (2.5 acres) of land. Subsidies can cover up to 75% of the total cost of establishing a new forest!” There’s no better time than now to think about planting trees.

Tree seedlings come in multiples of ten per species and must be ordered before the March 31st deadline. In total, 27 species are available this year and includes conifer trees such as White Spruce and White Pine, deciduous trees like Black Walnut and Butternut, and even deciduous shrubs such as Serviceberry and Black Chokeberry. All species are reasonably priced and sell between \$0.81 - \$1.75 each.

Improve your property, your community and your environment. Order your tree seedlings through the RRCA Tree Seedling Program using the online form at www.rrca.on.ca, or by calling Josianne Sabourin of the Raisin Region Conservation Authority at 613-938-3611 extension 221.

About the Raisin Region Conservation Authority

The RRCA is one of 36 Ontario Conservation Authorities. As a community-based environmental organization, it works closely with municipal, provincial and federal governments, landowners and community groups to safeguard and enhance the natural resources of the Raisin region's watershed. For more information, please visit www.rrca.on.ca

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