



Catfish Creek Conservation Authority

Private Landowner Reforestation Assistance Program

Introduction:

The Catfish Creek Conservation Authority provides a Reforestation Program to private landowners owning property within the Catfish Creek watershed to improve the overall health of the environment.

The following list of criteria will be followed when determining the eligibility of potential sites for the planting of native and Carolinian species/stock.

Landowner Responsibilities:

To qualify, the landowner will:

- complete and sign a tree order and planting form;
- agree to conduct any work or site preparation deemed necessary by the CCCA, prior to the arrival of the planting crew;
- The landowner shall pay for the cost of the trees, service, delivery, storage, and planting charges upon receipt of invoice;
- agree to permit staff from the CCCA to enter onto property (with notice) to conduct necessary planting, inspections, data collection, establishment, and follow-up surveys as necessary;
- have written permission of their neighbours to plant along the property line otherwise planting will not be closer than 1.5 metres (5 feet) from surveyed property line;
- order a minimum of 200 native Carolinian tree seedlings in bundles of 50 per species;
- agree to protect newly established trees from cutting for a period of (15) fifteen years;
- ensure any work undertaken in the plantation after the (15) fifteen year period will be in conformity to the Elgin County Tree Cutting By-Law; and

CCCA Responsibilities:

The Conservation Authority will:

- provide free technical advice on species type, ground preparation, spacing, etc;
- prepare a planting sketch map for each site;
- hand or machine plant in windbreaks, buffer strips, and unforested areas (minimum of 200 tree seedlings, with no maximum);
- pickup, store, and plant the trees in April/May;
- spray previously planted sites if requested;
- accept tree orders until the end of March;
- not guarantee the survival of the trees for a period greater then (6) six months after the time of pickup or planting.

**CATFISH CREEK CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
REFORESTATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FEES**

To improve the overall health of the environment, the Catfish Creek Conservation Authority provides a windbreak, reforestation and shelterbelt Tree Planting Program to private landowners owning property within the Catfish Creek Watershed on the following basis.

Tree Stock	* market value
Handling Fee (includes shipping & storage)	\$0.35 per tree
Conservation Authority Planting Service	\$1.00 per tree
Weed Control Spraying (new planting site)	\$0.50 per tree
Weed Control Spraying (previously sprayed site)	\$100.00 minimum fee * plus \$0.50 per tree

* When available, landowners will be notified of existing Tree Planting Program subsidies.
