

North Dakota Forest Service Tree Conservation Assistance Program (TCAP) 2015 Program

PURPOSE

The Tree Conservation Assistance Program will provide grant awards to private landowners to conserve, protect and enhance priority forest landscapes, restore green infrastructure, increase property values, conserve energy, and mitigate wildland fire hazards.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Priority consideration for funding will be given to projects that utilize a diversity of tree species and emphasize or prioritize North Dakota native species, if suitable and appropriate.

Projects must follow the NRCS Field Office Technical Guide's standards and specifications and will utilize appropriate conservation-grade planting stock. Tall stock or landscape-grade planting materials are not eligible to receive cost share.

FUNDS AVAILABILITY

A landowner is eligible to receive a maximum grant award of **\$1,500**. Grant funds will be distributed on a reimbursement basis to the vendor. A grant award **may not exceed 75%** of the total project cost. At least 25% of the total cost of the project must be contributed by the landowner. Not every application will be funded, as sufficient funds may not be available to meet the need.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact your local North Dakota Forest Service Office or local Soil Conservation District for assistance with designing a tree planting plan and completing the TCAP application

Submit the 2015 Tree Conservation Assistance Program Application with a copy of an aerial photo with planting location marked and a tree planting plan (ND CPA-4) by **November 14th, 2014**.

PROJECT COMPLETION

On or before August 31, 2015.

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