

Windbreak Planting Checklist

- January 2, 2023, seedling tree orders for conservation shrubs, trees and evergreens can be purchased through the Laramie County Conservation District website; lccdnet.org. Specie selection and quantity of species needed per your windbreak design, is located on the windbreak cost estimate sheet that was sent via email.
Upon receipt of your paid seedling tree order, the LCCD will email you a receipt confirmation that your seedling trees have been ordered.
- Drip irrigation designs need to be requested before spring planting begins. To request a drip irrigation design for your designed windbreak, contact LCCD @ 307-772-2600/info@lccdnet.org.
- Mailed notification of a tentative planting date will be the first part of April. Planting date is weather dependent. Spring moisture affects all plantings. Plantings delayed by mother nature will continue in order as they were scheduled unless other arrangements are coordinated.
- The LCCD will flag the tree row(s) based on LCCD approved windbreak design. Flags identify the center of each row. Once the LCCD has flagged the tree rows, check for proper tree row placement, interference with all utilities and that tree rows are within property boundary. Identifying placement of the tree rows within the property owners' boundaries **is the responsibility of the landowner.**
- Site preparation of the tree rows must be completed 1 week prior to the scheduled planting date. If your site preparation is not completed according to LCCD specifications, your planting will be moved to the end of the planting schedule. This is a busy time of the year for the LCCD. We will make every effort to contact you with any changes that might occur.

WINDBREAK TREE PLANTING SITE PREPARATION SPECIFICATIONS:

ROWS MUST BE PREPPED TO 8 FEET WIDE AND 8 INCHES OR GREATER IN DEPTH.

UTILIZING A SUBSOILER BEFORE ROTOTILLING TO OBTAIN PROPER SITE PREP DEPTH, AIDS THE TREE IN FUTURE ROOT DEVELOPMENT AND TREE STABILIZATION.

ROTOTILLING ELIMINATES LARGE CLOUDS OF SOIL AND SOD. CLOUDS CREATE AIR POCKETS WHICH KILL TREES AND CREATES POOR FABRIC INSTALLATION.

IF SITE PREPARATION IS NOT 8 FEET WIDE AND AT LEAST 8 INCHES IN DEPTH, THE LCCD WILL NOT INSTALL THE TREES/FABRIC.

- If site preparation is being completed by the homeowner, the homeowner is required by law to contact One Call of Wyoming at 811 or 1-888-987-3742 to complete a utility check request in designating location of underground utilities. Utility check is completed within 2 business days.
- An invoice for completed LCCD services is emailed out within a week of windbreak planting completion. Paid invoice is due within 30 days of receipt and can be paid online.

LATE SPRING - EARLY SUMMER (post tree and fabric installation)

- Water each tree with 5 gallons of water post tree planting/fabric installation.
- Install drip irrigation system as to design. Water each tree 5 gallons every 5 days.
- Install chicken wire tree cages on all evergreen trees (spruce, pine, and juniper), if browsing signs appear from rabbits, deer or antelope.
- The LCCD recommends seeding along the edge of the fabric with a dry land grass mix to reduce weeds overtaking the area. For more information on seed and where to purchase, contact the LCCD at 307-772-2600/info@lccdnet.org

EARLY FALL (before the ground freezes)

Install wind screens (available through the LCCD, if available) on evergreen trees for the first three years or until the trees are taller/wider than the wind screen. Other wind buffer ideas could include a temporary slatted snow fence, wood shakes or fabric attached to the chicken wire tree cages. As an alternative to the wind screens, antidesiccants can be applied on the evergreen trees to aid in moisture retention.

CONTRACTORS & MATERIALS

SITE PREP CONTRACTORS

Professional Landscaping: 307-778-8106/307-630-0311 (cell)
Ryan Koch: 816-205-1386
Harvey Anderson: 307-922-1673

The LCCD does not endorse any contractor(s). The compiled list is for your convenience and is composed of contractors that have requested to be placed on our contractor list.

DRIP IRRIGATION SUPPLIES

Home Depot: 1740 Fleischli Parkway: 307-632-2897
River Bend Nursery: 8908 Yellowstone Road: 307-638-0147
Lowes Home Improvement: 1608 Prairie Avenue: 307-632-3616
Menards: 4355 Windmill Road: 307-635-2201
Professional Landscaping: 307-778-8106/307-630-0311
DBC Irrigation Supply: 501 Parsley Boulevard: 307-638-2300

DRIP IRRIGATION INSTALLATION CONTRACTORS

Professional Landscaping: 307-778-8106/307-630-0311
2 County Landscaping LLC: 307-220-2435
Ryan Koch: 816-205-1386

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