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It's Spring Tree Seedling Planting Time *Forestry employees prepare for season, available for assistance*

Frankfort, Ky. (Feb. 21, 2014) – At this time of year the Kentucky Division of Forestry's two tree nurseries are alive with various activities. Last minute maintenance checks are being performed on all vehicles, tractors, buildings and equipment in preparation for the spring lifting and shipping season.

Although some seedlings have already been pulled and shipped, the busiest months for the spring planting season is March and April. The division doesn't send seedlings after April because it gets too warm and the bare root seedlings do not survive well after they have leafed out for the summer.

Low cost seedlings and technical assistance are provided to Kentucky landowners who are ready to answer the inherent call to plant a small grove or reforest a whole field. You can purchase single trees for \$5 each, a bundle of 10 for \$30 and for bigger planting jobs there are 100 bundles for \$38. The price for the single and 10-packs includes tax and delivery.

Foresters from the Kentucky Division of Forestry are available to help match the right tree species to your situation. To order your trees or request assistance, call or stop by a regional Kentucky Division of Forestry office.

Keep in mind that the division consolidated some offices last summer and customers may need to contact a different office if their former office is now closed. To find what office covers your county, go to the KDF website, <http://forestry.ky.gov>, or call 1-800-866-0555.

Seedling order forms are also available at local Cooperative Extension, Farm Services Agency, and Natural Resource Conservation Service offices and online at <http://forestry.ky.gov>.

To get the best selection, place your order as soon as possible and to give your seedlings the best chance of survival, plant your trees by the end of April.

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