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## TIME TO THINK TREE PLANTING FOR 2010

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It may seem early, but it's time for residents of the South Nation watershed to get their seedling orders in for 2010 spring planting.

That's the word from Ed Kupczyk, South Nation Conservation's Senior Forestry Technician, who pointed out that trees are allotted on a first-come, first-served basis.

"Right now, there's a great mixture of coniferous and deciduous seedlings available for the 2010 season."

For close to 25 years, SNC has been a major player in Eastern Ontario reforestation efforts, planting more than two million trees, and helping property owners through site visits with everything from planning and numbers required, to species selection and actual planting.

Funding from the province's 50 Million Tree initiative and the City of Ottawa Green Acres Program helps landowners overcome some of the costs associated with tree purchase and planting. SNC, Trees Ontario and the Ministry of Natural Resources are combining to get more trees into the ground within the watershed.

Available tree species include black walnut, butternut, red oak, tamarack, white, red and jack pine, and white spruce. Shrub species include high bush cranberry, nannyberry, red osier dogwood and elderberry from Ferguson Forestry Centre, Kemptville.

Prices range from 45 cents to 85 cents per seedling. A \$20 administration fee is applied to landowners in the SNC watershed, \$30 to those outside the area. Provincial funding of up to \$1.25 per tree helps defray costs for owners with two hectares or more. A minimum order of 100 seedlings is required, 50 per species.

Among goals of the program is to sequester carbon, enhance and diversify southern Ontario's landscape, increase capacity to withstand climate change, expand wildlife habitat, boost soil and water conservation, and provide local economic opportunities.

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