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State Forestry Announces Fall Seedling Sale

Santa Fe, NM – The New Mexico State Forestry Division’s Conservation Seedling Program begins its annual fall seedling sale this week. Landowners should place their orders now, and seedlings will be delivered in the autumn.

More than 70,000 seedlings and 50 species are ready for public purchase. Sales are first-come, first-serve. Many types are expected to sell out early, and will not be available until the following year. The program has several new species for this fall, such as Antelope Bitterbrush, Cliffrose, Pale Wolfberry, and Firecracker Penstemon.

Conservation Seedling Forester Carol Bada says, “Autumn is perfect for planting seedlings. The young trees will become established before they go dormant for the winter. Planting in the fall helps prepare them for the spring growing period.”

Seedlings are available to people who own at least one acre of land in New Mexico and who agree to use the trees for conservation purposes. These criteria may include: erosion control, wildlife habitat, reforestation, riparian restoration, windbreak establishment, Christmas tree plantations, or other conservation needs.

The final day to order will be October 7, 2016. The tree seedlings’ distribution will begin on September 13, 2016. The last day to pick up seedlings at the Santa Fe distribution center will be October 14, 2016.

Small container seedlings of one-year-old plants are sold in 10-cubic-inch containers, in minimum lots of 49 of the same species for \$80. The Conservation Seedling Program also now offers multi-species bundles that are specific to particular ecosystems. These bundles are offered in one-season growth containers at \$80 for 49 trees and/or shrubs. For more details, visit www.nmforestry.com or contact program representatives at (505) 476-3353.

Ordering is available at www.nmforestry.com. Payment with a Visa, Master Card or Discover Card is accepted. Mail-in application forms may also be downloaded from the website, and checks are accepted with mail-in order forms. Individuals who wish to have application form sent by mail should contact the New Mexico Forestry Division at (505) 476-3325. Three methods of delivery are available for a \$5.00 handling fee: UPS, pick up in Santa Fe, or pick up at designated locations throughout New Mexico. All proceeds are re-invested into the program.

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