

Newsletter

Ward Soil Conservation District

{2018}
Fall Newsletter

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Tree planting: \$30.00 per 100ft. Minimum Charge - \$350.00

Fabric Application: \$60.00 per 100ft. Minimum Charge: \$350.00

Handplants: \$2.00 per tree Minimum Order: 5 Trees Same Species

Tilling: \$75.00 per hour Minimum Charge: \$150.00

Grass Seeding: \$75.00 per Acre Minimum Charge: \$100.00
(seed not included)

Casoron Application: \$12.00 per 100 Linear ft. Minimum Charge
\$75.00



Don't forget to start thinking
about trees for next spring!!

Our handplant order forms are
located on our website, or just
stop by the office!

If you would like to get a hold
of us about any of our services,
please call or email at:

701-852-5438 Ext. 3

www.wardsoil@srt.com



“EQIP”

Environmental Quality Incentives Program



What is EQIP?

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program is a voluntary program that helps agricultural producers in a manner that promotes agricultural production and environmental quality as compatible goals. Through EQIP, agricultural producers receive financial and technical assistance to implement structural and management conservation practices that optimize environmental benefits on working agricultural land.

Who Can Apply?

Owners of land in agricultural or forest production or persons who are engaged in livestock, agricultural or forest production on eligible land and that have a natural resource concern on the land may participate in EQIP. Applications can be taken throughout the year, but are due **November 17, 2018** to be considered for funding in fiscal year 2019.

How EQIP Works:

Farm Bill legislation provides NRCS with authority to provide financial assistance payments through EQIP to eligible producers, to help implement approved conservation practices in eligible land. EQIP also has the ability to support wildlife projects through the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP)

If you are interested or would like to learn more about EQIP, please contact your local NRCS office at:

(701) 852-5438 Ext.3 or stop by our office located at 1920 13th St SE Minot, ND 58701 behind Kroll's Diner.

Nanking Cherry Jelly

6 Cups Nanking Cherries

1 Cup Water

1 Package Powdered Pectin

4 1/2 Cups Granulated Sugar

1. Stem and wash cherries and place into saucepan with the water.
2. Bring water to boil and simmer 15-20 minutes.
3. Mash fruit to press out the juice and strain.
4. Return Juice into saucepan and stir in pectin.
5. Place on high heat and stir until it boils, then add in sugar, boil vigorously stirring constantly.
6. Pour into sterilized jars and process in a boiling water bath.
7. Cool and serve!



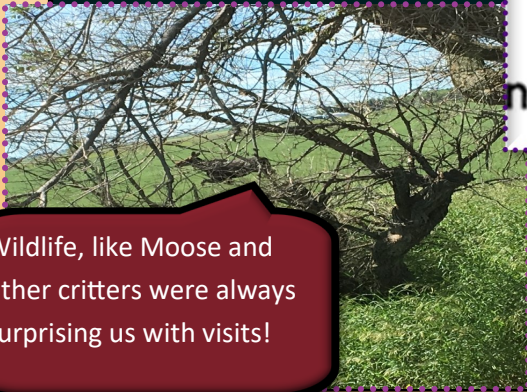
“2019 Tree Planting Preparation”



Once you have an idea of where you would like your trees, please call ND One Call at 1-800-795-0555 and have them mark your underground utility lines. Ward Soil Conservation District will not plant over those lines, so make sure they are not within your planting site. Sites need to be worked up once in the fall and again in the spring. We like to see the ground worked about 6-10 inches deep, as that is how deep our machines dig down. Using a disk, cultivator or a tiller will suffice. If you do not have a way to till your site, we also provide that service. An application of round-up may be needed to kill off excessive weeds in the fall, be cautious when using a lot of herbicides near your planting. Residue in the spring can lead to failure of seedling growth. Newly planted trees should not be fertilized for the first three years.



2018 Tree Planting Season



Wildlife, like Moose and other critters were always surprising us with visits!



Watering: *Plantings that are up to five years old need to be watered about 5-10 gal. per week through early October.*

Maintenance: *Also, remember to tend to the weeds, dead leaves, and other debris around your trees. This will reduce the potential of leaf and canker diseases.*

Weed Barrier Fabric: *Check your trees! Fabric needs to be cut as they grow to prevent girdling. The best thing to do is use a utility knife and cut slits as your trees grow. They grow fast, so check up on them if you had a planting done a few years ago.*



Although we got a late start this year due to the prolonged cold weather, we managed to get all the trees in the ground by June 1st! And fabric down by mid-July. Whew!! The spring treated us well for the most part with few rain delays.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

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| Labor Day | Sept. 3 |
| ECO-ED | Sept. 5,6 |
| Envirothon | Sept. 19th |
| Columbus Day | Oct. 7 |
| Veteran's Day | Nov. 12 |
| EQIP Applications Due | Nov. 17 |
| Thanksgiving | Nov. 22 |

COMING SOON!

If you had a tree planting done this spring, we will be coming out to your planting site this fall to assess your tree survivability. We will then send a letter of what trees we think you will need along with a 2019 handplant order form for you to fill out and send back to us. We will call prior to coming out to your site. 701-852-5438 Ext.3 Please call if you have questions.



Cedars & Junipers: If you planted cedars or junipers, and they are brown or orange in color, you might think they are dead. However, most times these trees go into shock after being planted. ***PLEASE DON'T PULL THEM!!*** Wait until next spring to see if your trees come out of shock before replacing them. Please call if you are concerned about your cedars and junipers.

Board meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of every month. If you wish to attend or have questions or concerns, please call at:

701-852-5438 Ext. 3.