



## Raisin Region Conservation Authority

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### MEMORANDUM

**To:** Township of North Glengarry Council, CAO and Clerk  
**From:** Jessica Herrington, RRCA Stewardship Coordinator  
**Date:** July 18, 2022  
**Subject:** RRCA Full-Service Tree Planting Program

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#### Full-Service Tree Planting

The Raisin Region Conservation Authority (RRCA) offers a full-service tree planting program with considerable cost savings to both private property owners and municipalities looking to add over 500 trees to their land. The program includes consultation, site preparation, seedling purchase and planting, and follow-up assessments. Through this program, the RRCA planted 42,000 trees this spring within its watershed jurisdiction in the City of Cornwall and Townships of South Glengarry, North Glengarry, South Stormont, and North Stormont.

The RRCA is currently booking free on-site consultations for the spring 2023 tree planting season. Site consultations allow RRCA staff to assess a property's topography, soil conditions, competing vegetation, drainage, and other notable features. Property owners are then provided with a recommended plan tailored to their particular land, helping them realize their tree planting goals. Over 30 local property owners are already booking free site visits with the RRCA.

Through the RRCA's various partnerships, such as Forests Ontario's 50 Million Tree Program, up to 100 percent of tree planting costs may be subsidized.

#### Tree Sales, Giveaways, and the Butternut Recovery Program

For smaller projects, the RRCA offers an over-the-counter native tree and shrub seedlings sale to the community at a low price. Residents are encouraged to follow the RRCA on social media to be notified when the 2023 order form becomes available this fall. Close to 11,400 trees were planted through this project this spring.

Earlier this year, the RRCA hosted its 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Tree Giveaway, partnering with municipalities to hand out 3000 free trees to area residents. The RRCA also participates in a recovery program for the endangered butternut tree. Through partnerships with local property owners, over 2000 pure butternut trees have been planted in the RRCA jurisdiction since 2006.



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### **About the RRCA's Forestry Programs**

By facilitating the tree planting process for local property owners, the RRCA's forestry programs help improve the health and function of local watersheds by enhancing the region's tree cover. This year, RRCA staff are planting 57,000 trees on private and public properties, adding to the over 1 million trees planted by the RRCA since 1994 within its watershed jurisdiction.

Should you have any questions about RRCA forestry programs or would like to arrange for tree planting site consultations for municipal properties, you may reach Jessica Herrington at (613) 938-3611 ext. 228 or [Jessica.Herrington@rrca.on.ca](mailto:Jessica.Herrington@rrca.on.ca).