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CULTIVATION OR MOWING CONTRACT

This form must be filled out and returned to our office by March 29, 2015 if you would like to sign up for

the Day Conservation District's tree cultivation or mowing service. CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS FORM! My trees are previously established trees Year Planted Acres My trees will be planted this year Acres PLEASE MARK THE SERVICE YOU WANT Service: **Cultivation Contract** acres x \$250= FULL SERVICE CULTIVATION - In-the-row and between the row cultivation \$250/acre/season – maximum of 3 cleanings Mowing Contract Minimum Charge \$250/acre/season acres x \$200= Requires 35% down payment due with signed contract **BETWEEN ROW TILLAGE NO FABRIC** Downpayment 35% • \$75 per hour Remaining Due **WEED BADGER ONLY** – In the row cultivation \$75 per hour NOTE: Single Service - A MINIMUM CHARGE of \$100 for 1 hour or less (time over an hour will be charged at the regular hourly rate) MOWING(PLEASE NOTE HOW MANY TIMES YOU WANT US TO MOW IF NOT CHOOSING THE MOWING CONTRACT) • \$70 per hour ____ number of times District is to mow \$20 site fee Mowing contract—between row mowing \$200/acre for 3 mowing trips during the season Weed Roller rental available ---- contact the office for additional information on the weed roller or visit the website at http://daycd.org It is the responsibility of the customer to make sure the area to be cultivated or mowing is free of rock and any other debris that may be harmful to the district's equipment. The complete control of noxious weeds is ultimately the customers' responsibility. NOTE: Cultivation of trees will not be closer than approximately 6 inches with the weed badger and tiller. This is to prevent root damage to the trees. **SIGNATURE** DATE Address Phone

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WINDBREAK/SHELTERBELT ESTABLISHMENT

Care and Maintenance

Control competitive vegetation in the planting until the ground surface is shaded by the trees and shrubs during the growing season. Generally, this means a minimum of three years of weed control after the date of planting.

Control the weeds in the row with a within-the-row cultivator, over the row cultivator, hand hoeing, herbicides, or plastic mulch (weed barriers). Do not cultivate deeper than three inches.

Control the weeds between the row with a shovel, sweep-type cultivator or tandem disk. To avoid damage to tree roots, do not cultivate deeper than three inches.

If fabric mulch is used in the row, control the weeds between rows with tillage or herbicides. Use caution when doing tillage to avoid snagging the fabric mulch.

*Continue cultivation until August 15.

On untilled sites mow between the rows approximately once each month during the growing season.

Replace all dead seedlings annually for at least two years after the planting is made.

Inspect the windbreak periodically to monitor adverse impacts such as pest infestations or pesticide use on adjacent lands. Take the necessary steps to protect the planting. Harmful pests present on the site shall be controlled or eliminated as necessary.

Chemicals available for application on trees include Princep, Goal or Cassaron. Princep and Goal can be applied by just banding the tree row with a small sprayer. Princep can not be applied to Lilac, Cottonwood and Willow. Casaron is granular and will need to be applied with a small spreader right over the tree row. Casaron is more expensive but can be applied to all trees without restriction.

For further information on Weed control in shelterbelts see SDSU Extension Printout #FS525T "Weed Control in Shelterbelt and Tree Plantings: 2005". You can access this information at our website http://daycd.org click the information tab or you can pick up a copy at the District office.

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