

**News You Can Use!**  
**From the Community Forestry Division of the**  
**Colorado State Forest Service**  
**November-December 2011**

*Urban and Community Forestry Tidbits*

**Wet Snowstorm Causes Significant Tree Damage**-A wet storm that moved into Colorado on October 25<sup>th</sup> quickly changed to snow that evening and into the 26<sup>th</sup>. Significant tree damage occurred due to many of the trees holding leaves well into October this year. As cleanup begins the Colorado State Forest Service reminds all to be safe and that information on managing storm damaged trees can be found here <http://csfs.colostate.edu/pdfs/111317-csfs-storm-dmgd-trees-6panel-www.pdf>.

**Federal Agencies Partner to Revitalize Urban Waterways in Denver Metro Area**-A new federal partnership aims to stimulate regional and local economies, create local jobs, improve quality of life, and protect Americans' health by revitalizing urban waterways in under-served communities across the country. The Urban Waters Federal Partnership (UWFP) is an innovative federal union comprised of 11 agencies including the USDA Forest Service. The South Platte River in Denver is one of seven locations selected for help from the nation's new Urban Waters Federal Partnership. This partnership will reconnect urban communities, particularly those that are overburdened or economically distressed, with their waterways by improving coordination among federal agencies and collaborating with community-led revitalization efforts to improve our Nation's water systems and promote their economic, environmental and social benefits. Proposals for project funding are being considered until January 13, 2012 <http://csfs.colostate.edu/pdfs/Denver-Urban-WatersRFP10202011.pdf>.

**Nominate for an Arbor Day Foundation Award**-Nominate a tree-planting hero for a 2011 Arbor Day Award. From local leaders and tree planters to national and international organizations, the Arbor Day Awards program strives to recognize the very best in environmental stewardship across several categories. View the award categories and nominate a deserving individual or group today at [www.arborday.org/awards](http://www.arborday.org/awards). Nominations close December 31, 2011.

**Trees Tame Stormwater Poster Now Available from the Arbor Day Foundation**-Rain refreshes the land and nourishes the green landscape. But as houses, stores, schools, roads and parking lots spread and natural tree cover is lost, so is the absorbing effect of vegetation and soil. The welcome rain becomes costly stormwater runoff. Without the benefit of trees and vegetated infrastructure, waterways are polluted as oils, heavy metal particles and other harmful substances are washed away. See ADF's new [interactive online poster](#) that shows how trees tame stormwater and make our towns and cities healthy and vibrant.

**2012 NUCFAC Grants**-The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council, (NUCFAC) announces the posting of the U.S. Forest Service 2012 Urban and Community Forestry Challenge Cost Share grant program. Application deadline is December 1, 2011. For more information <http://www.fs.fed.us/ucf/nucfac>.

## **ISA-Rocky Mountain Chapter Events:**

**Pesticide Applicator's Workshop**-The Rocky Mountain Chapter 2011 Pesticide Applicators Workshop will be held on November 17-18 at the Wildlife Experience, 10035 S. Peoria St. in Parker. For more information contact the ISA-RMC at 303-756-1815.

## **Insect and Disease Update**

**Sales of Imprelis Suspended**-DuPont was ordered by the Environmental Protection Agency to stop selling and recall its Imprelis herbicide, following thousands of complaints that the treatment kills trees. For more information <http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/08/11/us-dupont-imprelis-idUSTRE77A4VS20110811>.

**TCD Confirmed in Fort Collins**-A statement was recently issued by Fort Collins Forestry regarding the confirmed diagnosis of Thousand Cankers Disease (TCD) in Fort Collins, which represents the furthest north the insect and disease complex has been observed to date. More information can be found at the link <http://www.coloradoan.com/article/20111022/NEWS01/110220363/1002/CUSTOMERSERVICE02>

## *Colorado Tree Coalition Tidbits*

**Front Range Urban Forestry Council**-The Front Range Chapter of CTC will be meeting on December 8 at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. A program will be presented on dendrochronology. Contact Keith Wood at [keith.wood@colostate.edu](mailto:keith.wood@colostate.edu) for more information.

**CTC Unveils Twitter Page**-Thanks to Mike McGill, Town of Erie, and Kyle Sylvester, City of Brighton, CTC now has its very own Twitter page! It is still under construction and developing some neat features, but in the mean time you can check it out here [http://twitter.com/#!/who\\_to\\_follow/search/CoTreeCoalition](http://twitter.com/#!/who_to_follow/search/CoTreeCoalition). Sign up to follow and get the latest Tweets from CTC! And don't forget about CTC's Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Colorado-Tree-Coalition/141759715862175>. Let us know what you think!

**2012 Grant Program**-2012 CTC grant applications are in the process of being distributed electronically and will also be available to download from the CTC web site [www.coloradotrees.org](http://www.coloradotrees.org). Deadline to submit applications will be December 9, 2011. The CTC Grants Committee is also looking for volunteers from around the State to help with the grant application review process. You can be a reviewer even if your group or community has submitted an application. Each reviewer will have 5 to 10 grants to review during a 3-week period in December and January. To volunteer, contact David Flaig at 303-795-3766 or email him at [dflaig@littletongov.org](mailto:dflaig@littletongov.org). He will need your name, address, phone number, and an e-mail address.

**2012 Calendar Here!**-The Colorado Tree Coalition presents its 2012 Colorado Notable Tree Calendar. This full size, colorful calendar displays professional photographs of some of the state's most spectacular trees and is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by

highlighting notable and native Colorado trees. A diverse array of tree species has been selected to represent each month of the year and to showcase the diversity of trees native to Colorado. To order, send a request with a check or money order to the Colorado Tree Coalition, PO Box 808, Broomfield, Colorado 80038-0808 or order with a credit card at [www.coloradotrees.org](http://www.coloradotrees.org).

**Trees Across Colorado**-Another program celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is Trees Across Colorado! The goal of this program is to get volunteers motivated to improve their community by planting trees. Gertie Grant has extensive experience with volunteer tree planting efforts and she has cultivated strong working relationships with nurseries to produce an extensive list of ornamental and shade trees that will grow in our Colorado soils. The trees must be ordered by December 15, 2011. To learn more about this excellent tree planting program, call Gertie Grant at 303-744-3882 or e-mail her at [gertiegrant@estreet.com](mailto:gertiegrant@estreet.com).

**Elections Held**-Election results are in for the selection of three new representatives to the Colorado Tree Coalition (CTC) Board of Directors from the Front Range Chapter who will serve two year terms through 2012. Results are also in for the 2011 officers of the Front Range Urban Forestry Council (FRUFC).

Thanks to all who volunteered their time to serve these organizations and thanks also to all who voted. Please congratulate these folks when you get a chance!

#### **FRUFC REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CTC BOARD FOR 2012-2013**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Kyle Sylvester, City of Brighton	2012
David Flaig, City of Littleton	2012
Mike McGill, Town of Erie	2012
*John Wesolowski, City of Aurora	2013
*Chuck Gehringer, City and County of Broomfield	2013
*Becky Lamphear, City of Colorado Springs	2013

\*newly elected

#### **FRUFC OFFICERS FOR 2012**

President	David Flaig, City of Littleton
Vice President	Tom Wells, City and County of Broomfield
Secretary	Kendra Nash, City of Boulder

#### **CTC Officers for 2012**

President	David Flaig, City of Littleton
Vice President	Mike McGill, Town of Erie
Secretary	Karen Scopel, City of Greeley
Treasurer	Becky Wegner, Mountain High Tree Service
At-Large	Neal Bamesberger, Hudson Gardens
At Large	Gertie Grant, Trees Across Colorado