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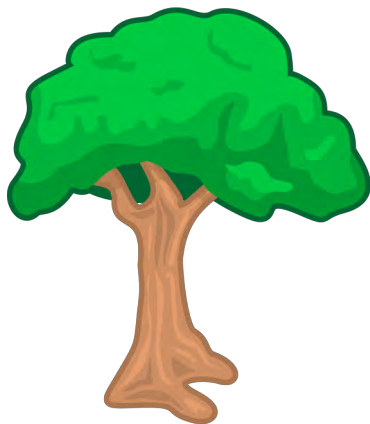
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2016 Tree Sale Underway!

Now is the time to pre-order your tree seedlings for the 2016 year!

Tree Seedling order forms can be found at our website:

www.hendersoncountync.org/soil Click on "Tree Sale". Order forms can also be picked up at our office. This year's selection includes:



Black Cherry
Black Walnut
Persimmon
River Birch
Sycamore
Crape Myrtle
Chestnut Oak
Scarlet Oak
White Oak
Virginia Pine
White Pine



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Seedlings will be available for pick up on

March 5th, 2016 from 10am to 3pm.

Quantities of each species are limited so order early for the best selection!



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From our friends at Duplin County Soil & Water Conservation:

Christmas Trees!

North Carolina's Christmas Tree industry is ranked 2nd in the Nation behind Oregon. North Carolina is the leading producer of the Fraser Fir. The Fraser Fir was named for John Fraser, a Scottish botanist who explored the southern Appalachian Mountains of North Carolina in the late 1700s. It is a pyramid-shaped tree that reaches a maximum height of 80 feet and a trunk diameter of 1 1/2 feet. The Fraser Fir grows naturally only in the southern Appalachians, above 3,000 feet. The cool temperatures and lots of rainfall of the North Carolina High Country are what causes the Fraser Fir to keep its needles throughout the Christmas season.



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Conservation Programs

The Henderson County Soil and Water Conservation District (HCSWCD) is currently accepting applications for North Carolina Agriculture Cost Share Program (NCACSP), Agriculture Water Resources Assistance Program (AgWRAP) and Community Conservation Assistance Program (CCAP). These programs are voluntary and are funded through the NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services–Division of Soil & Water Conservation (NCDA&CS–SW) and administered through the HCSWCD to fund the installation of various Best Management Practices (BMP’s) to improve water quality.

These programs can provide technical assistance and help pay a portion of the costs for installation of accepted water quality improvement practices. To be eligible for either program, **there must be an existing water quality problem.** The BMP’s must be designed by the HCSWCD, be maintained for up to 10 years, completed **after** a signed contract is approved and meet our specifications.

Whether you live on a farm or in a neighborhood, we may be able to help you with erosion, agricultural, and/or animal waste problems on your property. Here are a few of the BMP’s that may qualify:

- Agricultural Handling/Mixing Facilities and Backflow Prevention
- Cropland Conversion -Stock Trail -Livestock Exclusion (fencing)
- Ag Road Stabilization -Stream Stabilization -No-till vegetables
- Stream Crossings -Watering Tanks -Diversion/Grassed Waterways
- Feed Pads -Riparian Buffers -Abandoned Well Closure
- Critical Area Planting -Bio-retention Area -Stream Restoration/Protection
- Large Cisterns -Pet Waste Receptacles -Backyard Wetland/Rain Garden

If you have any questions or think your water quality problem might qualify for assistance, please call the Henderson County SWCD (828) 697-4949.

In the news!

Henderson County Soil & Water Conservation has been in the news a lot lately!

Here are some of the highlights in case you missed it!

Spotlight on Mill Pond Creek Restoration at Rugby Middle School

Mills River Day Event

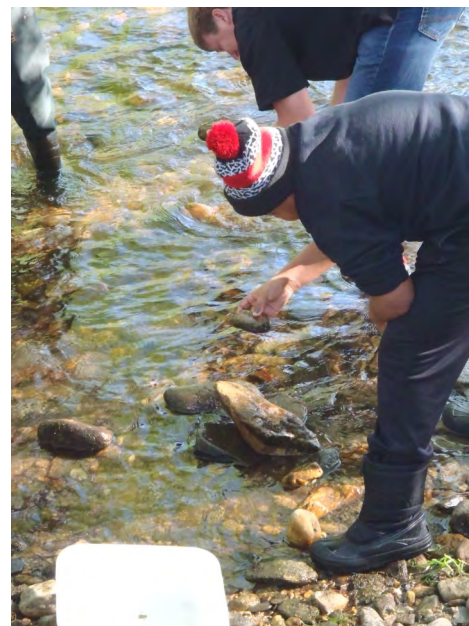


Creek near Rugby Middle to become learning tool

Henderson County collects bottled water for SC floods

Community Turns Out For Fletcher Elementary's Career Day

Students study health of Clear Creek



Apple Valley Students Test Water Quality

Did you know?

- In 1790, 93% of the population of the United States was rural, most of them farmers. By 1990, only 200 years later, barely 2% of our population are farmers.
- Land was being abandoned in Virginia because of low fertility as early as the 1620's.
- In 1940, over 40% of the population in North Carolina still lived on farms. Nationally the percentage was about 20%.

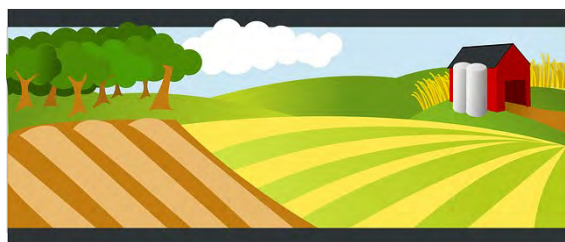
Check out the in-depth story and other facts about the Agricultural History of North Carolina at

<http://www.ncagr.gov/stats/general/history.htm>



Farm City Day 2015

Due to intense weather the 2015 Farm City Day was cancelled this year. Our thanks go out to all who helped with the planning of this event and made the call to cancel to ensure safety. We look forward to seeing you all at Farm City Day 2016!



Are you interested in becoming a sponsor? Our newsletter goes out to hundreds of recipients each quarter. If you are interest-



ed in becoming a sponsor for the 2016 year please call our office today at 828.697.4949 to find out more!



Our mission:

To provide educational, technical and financial assistance to conserve soil, improve water quality and enhance the natural resources of Henderson County.

