News You Can Use! From the Community Forestry Programof the Colorado State Forest Service November-December 2014

Urban and Community Forestry Tidbits

Tree Planting and Establishment Specifications-Dr. Ed Gilman of the University of Florida, Jim Urban, FASLA, and Brian Kempf and Tyson Carroll of the <u>Urban Tree Foundation</u> have developed a modern, up-to-date, and peer-reviewed set of details and specifications in AutoCAD, PDF, and Microsoft Word formats for the green industry. These are designed specifically for landscape architects, engineers, architects, contractors, urban foresters, arborists, municipalities, and state agencies. All of these files are open source, free, and can be edited by the user. You and your colleagues are welcome to use these <u>details and specifications</u> for your projects without charge and without the need to credit the Urban Tree Foundation or any of the project team members. Although the group encourages modification to fit your specific site and project needs, make your changes only after carefully considering all the pertinent variables at the planting site.

Tree City USA/Tree Campus USA-New applicants and recertifying Tree Cities and Tree Campuses are reminded the applications are due by the end of the year. If you haven't used the on-line application submittal tool, please consider using it this year!

Colorado Grove Has a New Look-If you haven't been to the Colorado Grove site recently be sure and check out the new look and information, and sign up while you are there http://thegrove.americangrove.org/group/coloradogrove#.VDavIq7nbGg.

Colorado Tree Coalition Tidbits

Front Range Urban Forestry Council-The Front Range Chapter of the Colorado Tree Coalition will be meeting on November 20th at the Colorado Dept. of Agriculture in Broomfield. More info on EAB, be sure to attend! More Contact Keith Wood at keith.wood@colostate.edu for more information.

2015 Grant Program-2015 CTC grant applications are in the process of being distributed electronically and will also be available to download from the CTC web site http://www.coloradotrees.org/programs.php#grants. Deadline to submit applications will be December 5, 2014. 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. He will need your name, address, phone number, and an e-mail address.

Trees Across Colorado-The Trees Across Colorado program is ready to kick off its 13th year! 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. To learn more about this excellent tree planting program, call Gertie Grant at 303-744-3882 or email her at 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 2016. Results are also in for the 2015 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 2015-2016

Name	Term Expires
Josh Theobald, Root Tree Service	2015
Nancy Biekarck, City of Thornton	2015
Chuck Gehringer, City and County of Broomfie	ld 2015
*Laurel Brabec, Timberline Gardens	2016
*Richard Thurau, Plan-It Geo	2016
*Kyle Sylvester, City of Brighton	2016

^{*}newly elected

FRUFC OFFICERS FOR 2015

President	David Flaig, City of Littleton
Vice President	Tom Wells, City and County of Broomfield
Secretary	Vacant

CTC Officers for 2015

President	Mike McGill, Town of Erie
Vice President	Scott Grimes, Colorado Tree Consultants
Secretary	Nancy Biekarck, City of Thornton
Treasurer	Becky Wegner, Mountain High Tree Service
At-Large	Josh Theobald, Root Tree Service
At Large	Neal Bamesberger, Koon Landscape and Design

Happy Holidays!