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Natural Landscaping Resource List

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Disclaimer: The following list of nurseries, seed sources, landscape architects, ecologists, consultants, and contractors does not imply any endorsement or recommendation by the Federal Government. This is not a complete list of resources. It is intended only to be an aid to those seeking initial guidance on native landscaping.

Below is a list of potential sources where you may obtain further information.

Bald Eagle Nursery, Inc., 1010 9th Ave., Fulton, IL 61252; (815) 589-4121.

Berthold Nursery, 4510 Dean St., Woodstock, IL 60098; (815) 338-4914; or 434 E. Devon, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007; (847) 439-2600.

Blazing Star Inc., 2107 Edgewood Dr., Woodstock, IL 60098; (815) 338-4716.

Bluestem Prairie Nursery, Route 2, Box 92, Hillsboro, IL 62049; (217) 532-6344. Specializes in native plants from Cairo to Rockford.

Country Road Greenhouses, Inc., 19561 East Twombly, Rochelle, IL 61068; (815) 384-3311.

Enders Greenhouse, 104 Enders Dr., Cherry Valley, IL 61016; (815) 332-5255.

Genesis Nursery, 23200 Hurd Rd., Tampico, IL 61283; (815) 438-2220; fax: (815) 438-2222. Producers of plant materials for large scale native restorations and wetland mitigation. Prairie, wetland, and savanna plants, and shoreline grasses.

Green View Companies, 1501 Ogden Ave. West, Oswego, IL 60543; (630) 898-0200.

The Growing Place, 25W471 Plank Rd., Naperville, IL 60563; (630) 355-4000.

Hibbard Road Gardens Nursery, 62 Hibbard Rd., Northfield, IL 60093; (847) 446-5525.

Lafayette Home Nursery, RR 1, Box 1A, Lafayette, IL 61449; (309) 995-3311. E-mail: tonyclhn@netins.net. Prairie plant seed mixtures.

Lee Gardens, Box 5, Tremont, IL 61568; (309) 925-5262. E-mail: dvlee123@aol.com. Wildflowers and grasses.

Meyer Landscaping, Inc., 27W067 North Ave., West Chicago, IL 60185; (630) 293-4800. Limited supply of natives.

Midwest Wildflowers, P.O. Box 64, Rockton, IL 61072; (815) 642-7040. Wildflower and prairie plant seeds.

The Natural Garden, 38W443 Route 64, St. Charles, IL 60175; (630) 584-0150. Prairie grasses and forbs, woodland wildflowers.

The Planters Palette, 28 W. 571 Roosevelt Road., Winfield, IL 60190; (630) 293-1040. Possibility Place Nursery, 7548 West Monee, Monee, IL 60449; (708) 534-3988. Primarily wholesale, retail by appointment. Specialize in native trees, prairie and savanna plants.

Purple Prairie Farm and Nursery, RR 2, Box 176, Wyoming, IL 61491; (309) 286-7356 or (309) 695-3944. Primarily wholesale; retail through soil conservation districts.

Sand Prairie Farms, 185 Rogers Road., Ohio, IL 61349; (815) 376-6641. Specializes in cave-in-rock, switch-grass, and purple coneflower.

Spring Bluff Nursery, 41W130 Norris Rd., Sugar Grove, IL 60554; (630) 466-4278.

Tecza Rainbow Gardens, 36W730 McDonald Rd., Elgin, IL 60120; (847) 742-3321.

The Wildflower Source, 8805 Kemman Rd., Hebron, IL 60034; (815) 648-4397.

Additional Resources:

www.epa.gov/greenacres/

The Environmental Protection Agency Web page on landscaping with native wildflowers and grasses. Includes online handbook on building and maintaining a natural landscape, information on weedlaws and more.

A Field Guide to the Wetlands of Illinois, Illinois Department of Conservation (now Illinois Department of Natural Resources), 1988. A picture guide to plants.

Atlas of Biodiversity, Chicago Wilderness, n.d. (1997). Website: www.chiwild.org/atlas/atlasinfo2.html. Natural history and plant communities of the Chicago region.

Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road, P.O. Box 400, Glencoe, IL 60022; (847) 835-8261. Native plantings, including prairie, bookstore, classes, publications and plant assistance phone.

Church Landscaping, 951 North Ridge, Lombard, IL 60148; (630) 629-9660.

Conservation Design Forum, Inc., 1250 East Diehl Road., Suite 102, Naperville, IL 60563; (630) 955-0355.

Hendricksen, The Care of Trees, Inc., 2371 S. Foster Ave., Wheeling, IL 60090; (847) 394-4220. Contractor; restoration work, controlled burns, removal of buckthorn.

Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Natural Areas Program, 524 South Second Street, Lincoln Tower Plaza, Springfield, IL 62706; (217) 333-5773.

Illinois Native Plant Society, Forest Glen Nature Preserve, 20301 E. 900 North Road, Westville, IL 61883; (217) 244-2171.

Illinois Nature Preserves Commission, 914 South River Road, McHenry, IL 60050; (815) 385-9074.

Kane-DuPage Soil and Water Conservation District, 545 S. Randall Rd., St. Charles, IL 60174; (630) 584-7961.

Lake County Soil and Water Conservation District, 70 S. U.S. Highway 45, Suite 205, Grayslake, IL 60030; (847) 223-1056.

Landscaping with Native Herbaceous Plants, Plant Facts No. 19, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe, IL, 1992. Plant list with description and habitat.

Lincoln Memorial Garden, 2301 E. Lake Dr., Springfield, IL 62707; (217) 529-1111. E-mail: lmg2301@inw.net; Website: www.lmgnc.com. Native plantings, bookstore, workshops, native Illinois plants sold in spring.

McHenry County Conservation District, 6512 Harts Road, Ringwood, IL 60072; (815) 678-4431.

Morton Arboretum, 4100 Illinois Route 53, Lisle, IL 60532; (630) 719-2469. Prairie planting, regional trees and shrubs, bookstore, classes.

Native Plant Guide for Streams and Stormwater Facilities in Northeastern Illinois, U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service, Chicago Metro Urban and Community Assistance Office, Naperville, IL, December 1997.

The Nature Conservancy, 79 West Monroe, Chicago, IL 60603; (312) 346-8166. North Branch Wild Garden Project, home seed program.

North Cook County Soil and Water Conservation District, 675 N. Court, Suite 120, Palatine, IL 60067; (847) 991-4330.

Open Lands, 220 South State Street, Chicago, IL 60604; (312) 427-4256.

Pizzo and Associates, 4641 W. 20th Street, Cicero, IL 60804-2512; (708) 209-1600.

Plants of the Chicago Region, F. Swink and G. Wilhelm, Indiana Academy of Science, Indianapolis 1994.

Prairie Crossing, Route 137 and Route 45, Grayslake, IL. A community dedicated to conservation of the environment.

Prairie Establishment and Landscaping, William E. McClain, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Heritage, Springfield, IL, 1997. Manual for how to do restoration and native plant landscaping; includes maps of historic prairie distribution in Illinois and the Midwest.

Prairie Plants of Illinois, J.W. Voight and R.H. Mohlenbrock. Department of Conservation (now Illinois Department of Natural Resources), Division of Natural Resources and Natural Heritage, Springfield, IL, 1985. Includes sketches of plants; information about season and stature; flowers; leaves; use or importance; habitat; and range.

Prairie Plants of Northern Illinois: Identification and Ecology, Russell R. Kirt, Stipes Publishing Co., Champaign, IL, 1989.

Prairie Sun Consultants, 612 Staunton Road., Naperville, IL 60565; (630) 983-8404. Natural landscaping, prairie and woodland restoration, slide programs, field trips, seminars, and workshops.

Source Book on Natural Landscaping for Local Officials. Northeastern Illinois Regional Planning Commission, Chicago, IL, 1997. Website: www.epa.gov/glnpo/greenacres/toolkit/index.html. Promotes native plant landscaping; case studies of large and smaller sites; addresses certain legal issues; Northeast Illinois regional focus.

- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, 1000 Hart Road, Suite 180, Barrington, IL 60010; (847) 381-2253.
- U.S. Forest Service, Shawnee National Forest, Harrisburg, IL; (618) 253-1010. Information on burning.

The Wild Ones, P.O. Box 23576, Milwaukee, WI 53223. Website: www.for-wild.org. Natural landscaping group with chapters in Chicago, DuPage County, Prairie Crossing, Rock River Valley.

Windsong Prairie, 5412 N. Ridgeway Rd., Ringwood, IL 60072; (815) 653-6936. Tours given, information available on gardening with native plants, sells seeds and plants on occasion.

Annual Native Plant Sales:

(call for details)

Kane-DuPage Soil & Water Conservation District 545 S. Randall Rd. St. Charles, IL 60174 (630) 584-7961

Lake County Soil & Water Conservation District 100 N. Atkinson Rd. Suite 102A Grayslake, IL 60030 (847) 223-1056

McHenry County Soil & Water Conservation District 1143 N. Seminary Ave. Woodstock, IL 60098 (847) 338-7731

North Cook County Soil & Water Conservation District P.O. Box 407 Streamwood, IL 60107 (847) 468-0071

Will-South Cook County Soil & Water Conservation District 1201 S. Gougar Rd. New Lenox, IL 60451 (815) 462-3106 Citizens for Conservation 211 N. Ela Rd. Barrington, IL 60011 (847) 382-7283

McHenry County Defenders 132 Cass St. Woodstock, IL 60098 (815) 338-0393

Schaumburg Community Garden Club c/o Spring Valley Nature Sanctuary 1111 E. Schaumburg Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60194 (847) 980-2100

Thorn Creek Audubon Native Plant Sale (708) 799-0249
Order form deadline late January, plant pick up in May in Homewood, IL. Call for more information.