NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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The Saratoga Tree Nursery will purchase cone and fruit from private individuals for our seed procurement program. The species desired, approximate ripening date, and price paid per bushel are listed on page 2. The ripening date is an estimate. Cone and fruit should be inspected prior to harvesting in order to determine if it is ready to be picked. Seed that is immature will not be accepted. If you are not sure, feel free to contact the Nursery. Species indicated in red are of high need.

Cones should be collected from live or freshly cut trees, starting from the date of maturity until they begin to open. All cones should be received at the nursery by November 15th, unless other arrangements have been made.

The fruit and cone should be put in grain bags, or cardboard boxes and stored in a cool dry area, such as a garage or shed. Allow for adequate ventilation to prevent overheating. Do not stack tightly or overfill containers. The state has the right to reject cones and fruit that are contaminated with debris, deteriorated due to improper storage, or for any other reason that may reduce viability.

Private collectors must contact the Nursery prior to collecting with expected quantities to be collected to confirm that we have not already met our quotas. Collectors should deliver cone and fruit to their Regional Forestry Office or the Saratoga Tree Nursery once collecting has been completed. The Nursery must be contacted before the cone and fruit are dropped off at the designated facility so someone will be available to accept the delivery. Payment will be made via a State Voucher.

Again this year, we are asking Consulting Foresters who have any active harvest operations that coincide with ripening dates and are willing to permit nursery staff collect cone and fruit from the job sites to contact Christi Barber.

Thank you for your participation and cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns; or would like to arrange delivery to the Nursery do not hesitate to contact Christi Barber or David Lee at (518) 581-1439

Sincerely,

Christi Barber (formerly Page)

Forester



Cone and Fruit Collection Letter 2016

Species		Ripening Date	\$/ Bushel
Conifers	White Spruce	August 30 th	\$22.00
	Red spruce	August 30 th	\$30.00
	White pine	August 30 th	\$8.00
	Hemlock	September 15 th	\$120.00
	Red pine	September 30 th	\$18.00
	Pitch Pine	September 30 th	\$18.00
	Jack pine	September 30 th	\$18.00
Hardwoods	Black cherry	August 30 th	\$50.00
	Black walnut	September 15 th	\$3.00
	Butternut	September 15 th	\$6.00
	Red oak	September 15 th	\$20.00
	White oak	September 15 th	\$30.00
	Bur oak	September 15 th	\$30.00
	Sugar maple	October 1 st	\$40.00
	American sycamore	October 15 th	\$30.00
Shrubs and Wildlife species	Gray dogwood	September 5 th	\$50.00
	Rugosa rose	September 15 th	\$25.00
	Virginia rose	September 15 th	\$25.00
	Swamp/ wetland rose	September 15 th	\$25.00
	Highbush cranberry	September 15 th	\$50.00
	Nannyberry	September 15 th	\$50.00
	Northern bayberry	September 15 th	\$50.00
	Black chokeberry	August- September	\$40.00
	Winterberry/ American holly	September- October	\$60.00
	Eastern redcedar	October 15 th	\$120.00