

Critical Area Reforestation Program Information

1. The County provides free native tree and shrub material and installation for this project (including mulch). The plants will be watered at time of planting and then the property owner is responsible for watering and maintaining the plants as instructed for at least 10 years.
2. The Critical Area Reforestation Evaluation (CARE) Committee will review the applications and planting plans at its annual June meeting.
3. After approval from the CARE Committee, the contractor will begin ordering plant material and changes cannot be made to quantity or species of plants requested.
4. Marking flags will be available outside the Planning & Zoning Office (205 Main St) to pick up for labeling and marking the planting locations. If no locations are flagged, the Contractor will plant as per the planting plan submitted with the application.
5. The day prior to the planting, the contractor or project manager will notify those applicants getting plants installed with an approximate timeframe. Scheduling planting installations is dependent on plant deliveries from the nursery. The contractor will not schedule planting until all plants for that site have been delivered.
6. Before installation, the Reforestation Planner will inspect all the plant material for the project. Each property will also be inspected after the planting has been completed.
7. A group email will be used to communicate information about picking up marking flags, plant species availability/substitutions, and other items as they arise. For some plant species, availability will not be certain until the Contractor orders the plant material.
8. All properties must be in compliance with Critical Area regulations. This program cannot be used to meet mitigation requirements for any project, permit, or violation.

NOTE: Properties located within the Town of Chesapeake Beach or North Beach are **not** eligible for this program.

If you have any questions, please contact Robin Munnikhuysen, Critical Area Reforestation Planner at 410-535-1600, ext. 2502 or robin.munnikhuysen@calvertcountymd.gov.