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Delaware Riverkeeper Network and Local Nurseries Encourage Fall Plantings for the River

Glen Mills and Orefield, PA and Frenchtown, NJ – This fall, the Delaware Riverkeeper Network (DRN) is encouraging its members and all landowners in the region to plant native shrubs, trees and perennials to benefit the Delaware River in a myriad of ways. To help with this effort, three native plant nurseries are promoting membership in DRN along with making a donation from a portion of the plant sales attributed to DRN members: Redbud Native Plant Nursery in Glen Mills, PA, Edge of the Woods Native Plant Nursery in Orefield, PA, and Toadshade Wildflower Farm in Frenchtown, NJ.

“Fall is the ideal time for planting, especially trees and shrubs, plants that are particularly important to the watershed because they shield the ground from heavy rains and slow runoff from the land, thus helping to control flooding,” says the Delaware Riverkeeper Maya van Rossum. “Trees and shrubs also slowly release some of the water from the ground into the air through their root systems, which helps cool the air in the hot summers and dry the ground after extended wet periods. Plants native to the Delaware River watershed

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region are ideally suited to survive the varied weather conditions through the seasons to come; they provide resiliency and beauty for the landscape, hold in the soil and guard against erosion, while serving as habitat for native birds, butterflies and other wildlife. In most cases they are easy to grow and it is a joy to watch them thrive.”

This campaign to encourage planting natives will be ongoing through the end of the fall planting season. For more information, contact the nurseries directly, the staff can provide extensive assistance in selecting and caring for native plants.

Redbud Native Plant Nursery, 1214 North Middletown Road, Glen Mills, PA 19342, Phone: 610-358-4300, info@redbudnativeplantnursery.com, www.redbudnativeplantnursery.com.

Edge of the Woods Native Plant Nursery, 2415 Route 100, Orefield, PA 18069, Phone: 610-395-2570, info@edgeofthewoodsnursery.com, www.edgeofthewoodsnursery.com.

Toadshade Wildflower Farm, 53 Everittstown Road, Frenchtown, NJ 08825, Phone: 908-996-7500, toadshad@toadshade.com, www.toadshade.com. This is a mail order nursery. They will have a stand at the Hunterdon Land Trust Farm Market at Devoor Farm on Rt. 12 in Flemington NJ from 9AM – 1PM, through mid-October.

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