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Riverside - With the onset of the fall and winter seasons, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's (CDF) new crop of conifer tree seedlings are now available for mail order purchase. Currently, the conifer tree seedlings are available in a variety of sizes, ranging from 1-year-old plug stock to 4-year old bare root seedlings.

With the recent events of wildfire and bark beetle tree mortality covering much of Southern California's forested landscapes, this new crop of seedlings offer landowners the opportunity to begin the process of reforestation on these damaged landscapes. Unlike much of the conifer nursery stock grown and made available from retail outlets in California, CDF's seedlings are grown from selected native parent trees, chosen from special geographic locations throughout California, known as seed zones.

Through this special process, CDF is better able to insure and provide quality tree seedlings well adapted to their future planting sites.

Private landowners wishing more information on the tree varieties, minimum orders and costs of the seedling stock are encouraged to contract the Magalia Reforestation Nursery site on line at http://www.fire.ca.gov/php/rsrc-mgt_statenurseries.php or by phone at (530) 872-6301 Monday through Friday during normal business hours.

For those individuals who have identified the kind of conifer seedlings they might choose to use, but wish additional specific tree information before ordering are encouraged to utilize CDF's online tree selection software "SelectTree" at <http://selecttree.calpoly.edu> "Selectree" will provide the user with detailed information on the specific tree of interest.

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