

Riparian Buffer Restoration

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Plant a vegetated buffer, or a strip of trees and shrubs to protect stream corridors. Stream corridors, or strips



of land on each side of every stream, creek, and river, should provide vital habitat and food for birds, mammals, insects, reptiles, and amphibians and valuable detritus (dead and dying leaf matter) that becomes food as it drops into the stream. In addition, the overhanging trees and shrubs help keep the stream cooler and at a more stable temperature that is beneficial for fish and food for fish. The roots of these riparian plants helps to form a network that keeps the stream banks stable and helps collect sediment as it moves toward the stream. The water will slow and soak through the soil, which will help filter out toxics, such as excess fertilizer and pesticides.

FREE AND REDUCED COST TREES!

If you live in Frederick County, Md., you are eligible for 25 free seedlings through the [Maryland DNR's Backyard Buffer program](#)

! Seedlings can be planted on private property. Call soon to be eligible for spring 2008 seedlings!

[Tree-Mendous Maryland](#) offers saplings at a reduced cost for planting projects in public areas, such as community parks, schools, churches, etc. These trees cannot be planted on private property. The [fall 2008 Tremendous Maryland](#) list is out!

[The ICPRB will be offering saplings](#) at \$45 each in the Frederick, Md., area in fall 2008. The sale will begin the first week of August, but we will post in July the trees we plan to sell. Check this page periodically for updates.

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