# Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Nomination Form Nebraska Outstanding Tree Planter Award

The Nebraska Association of Resources Districts (NARD) sponsors an annual Nebraska Outstanding Tree Planter Award to:

- Reward outstanding tree planting efforts in Nebraska.
- Promote tree planting in Nebraska.
- Provide recognition to NRDs and the NARD.

### **Criteria**

- 1. Individuals, organizations and agencies are eligible.
- 2. Tree planting(s) must be for conservation purposes, e.g., windbreaks, shelterbelts, wildlife habitat, woodlots, erosion control, etc. Ornamental and horticultural plantings do not qualify.
- 3. Nominee must be the owner and/or manager of the tree planting area.
- 4. Tree planting(s) must be rural or urban in public or private ownership.
- 5. Tree planting(s) must be three years old and exhibit proper care and management.
- 6. Other conservation activities and promotional efforts by the nominee will be considered to support the nomination.

#### **Nominations**

- 1. Nominations must include:
  - a. Nominee name, address, telephone number.
  - b. Submitting NRD name, address, and telephone number.
  - c. Support information including:
    - ✓ Background information (vocation, type of business, family involvement, etc.)
    - ✓ Tree planting activities (history, purpose of plantings, years planted, numbers of trees, acres planted, etc.)
    - ✓ Tree management activities (type/effectiveness of care, replanting, attitude toward trees, etc.)
    - ✓ Other support information (tree promotion/education activities, other conservation activities and awards, etc.)
    - Each nomination must include at least <u>FIVE</u> photographs, including one photo of the nominee(s).
- 2. Nominations must not exceed <u>two</u> typed, double-spaced pages and may contain up to <u>five</u> pages of supplemental information, e.g. newspaper articles, five photographs, etc.

#### **Procedure**

- 1. Nominations must be submitted by a NRD. Local NRD tree planter award recipients or other NRD nominations are eligible. Any individual, organization or agency is encouraged to submit a nomination to a local NRD. *Each NRD may submit only one nomination*.
- 2. Nominations must be submitted to the NARD office **by May 1**: *NARD Native Vegetation & Forestry Subcommittee*, 601 S. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 201, Lincoln, NE 68508.
- 3. The NARD Native Vegetation and Forestry Subcommittee will serve as the selection committee for the Nebraska Outstanding Tree Planter Award.
- 4. The recipient will be recognized at the NARD Annual Fall Conference.
- 5. The NARD Executive Director or his/her designee will present the award.

## Nominations are Due May 1st