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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Managers, Township Park & Recreation Boards, & Public School Boards  
FROM: Bucks County Airport Authority  
DATE: November 15, 2011  
RE: **YEAR 2012 TREE DONATION PROGRAM**

Nobody likes to cut down a tree. But sometimes it has to be done. The electric company sometimes has to remove trees that are growing into its power lines. And similarly, it is sometimes necessary for the Airport Authority to trim or remove trees that are growing into the runway approaches of our airports. This is required not only by common sense safety concerns, but also by state law, Federal Aviation regulations, and township ordinances.

Recognizing that as part of its regular ongoing operation the Authority from time to time must trim or remove trees near its airports, the Bucks County Airport Authority adopted a policy at its July, 1998 meeting to add trees to our community landscape.

Each year the Authority will offer grants for trees to be planted in local parks, school yards, or other public spaces in Bucks County. The Authority will pay for the cost of purchasing the trees, but it will be the responsibility of the recipient to arrange for planting and maintenance of the donated trees.

The Authority is now accepting requests for tree donations under this program. Written requests should be submitted to Colleen Raterman, Administrator, Bucks County Airport Authority, P.O. Box 1185, Doylestown, PA 18901. The request should be specific in terms of number and variety of trees requested, where they would be planted, and should acknowledge the recipient's obligation to plant and maintain the trees in healthy condition should the request be granted. The Authority Board will decide which requests to grant based on the details of the proposals received, geographical considerations, timing considerations, and (of course) budgetary considerations. Submit requests no later than **December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011**.

The Authority will work with recipients concerning the details of any award.

For further information, please contact Colleen Raterman at the above address or phone at (215)345-1970.