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Windbreak Benefits and Energy Saving Landscapes Workshop:

Trees and shrubs can be used to help you save energy year round. Strategically placed trees and shrubs in **shelterbelts, windbreaks, living snow fences and the home lawn,** can enhance property value, aesthetics, wildlife and can reduce energy costs by 25 to 30%. There are also cost share programs for rural landowners. Livestock producers can also benefit from these plantings around feedlots and confinement buildings.

To learn more about how trees and windbreaks can save energy costs, plan to attend the educational workshop on **“Windbreak Benefits and Energy Saving Landscapes”** which will be held **Thursday, January 27, from 6:00 to 8:30 PM** at the Redwood High School in Redwood Falls. Registration is \$ 20. Pre-registration is requested. This workshop is sponsored by the University of Minnesota Extension and the Minnesota Forestry Association.

The public is invited to attend. Woodland Advisor and Master Gardener credits are available upon request. Useful handout material will also be available.

To register for this workshop, contact Kathy Eckwright, 507-389-6972 or 888-241-3214, eckwr001@umn.edu. To review other workshops visit: <http://cfc.cfans.umn.edu/wa/>.

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