



To maximize value per dollar and allow flexibility for grantees to select preferred materials, a maximum allowable cost has been set for some materials. The grant review committee may set determine maximum allowable costs for other items in an estimate based on average retail cost.

MATERIAL	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE COST
Non-woody native plant (wildflower, grass, sedge, rush, etc.)	Up to \$8 per individual live plant or small seed packet. No set maximum for bulk seed.
Native shrub	Up to \$20 per live shrub
Native tree	Up to \$500 per live tree
Landscape edging	Up to \$2 per linear foot
Bulk natural wood mulch*	Up to \$20 per cubic yard
Bulk natural wood with delivery*	Up to \$30 per cubic yard
Bagged natural wood mulch*	Up to \$3 per cubic foot (example: maximum allowable costs for a 2 cubic foot bag is \$6)
* Only natural non-dyed mulch is eligible for reimbursement through the Stewardship Grant.	

RPBCWD reserves the right to set a maximum allowable cost for additional materials.



When planning your grant project, maximize eligible costs by:

- Choosing young plants in small pots (e.g. plugs). These plants cost less and tend to be healthier with less chance of root or disease issues.
- For erosion control and soil moisture conservation, consider weed-free straw mulch instead of more expensive wood mulch. Avoid erosion control materials with plastic as these are not usually eligible project costs.
- Review the project scoring sheet to see how to get the highest cost share percent.

