



The Illinois River Watershed Partnership's 12th Annual Riparian Project is only 5 days away! We will be planting 1800 bare root saplings across multiple sites within the Illinois River Watershed this **Saturday, March 9th from 9-11am**. Planting trees and bushes in riparian (streamside) areas helps stabilize streambanks, preventing erosion, helps to filter contaminants and trash before reaching the water, and provides valuable wildlife habitat both on land and in the stream.

This is a family-friendly event, and all are welcome. Volunteers are encouraged to dress appropriately and wear good sturdy shoes. Tools, gloves, water and snacks will be provided.

If you would like to sign up to volunteer yourself or a group for the event, contact Stephanie at 479-215-6623 or email <u>stephanie@irwp.org</u>. We look forward to seeing you at one of the sites!

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## The 5 planting locations (with maps) this year are:

**<u>Prairie Grove</u>**- Ogden Ranch. Volunteers will drive across a cattle panel (multiple metal bars close together, fine for cars) and park at the house at the end of the road at 13111 Storms Rd., Prairie Grove, AR. From there, volunteers will be transported to the planting site in trucks.

## \*We could really use some extra volunteers at this location!



<u>Springdale</u>- downtown along Spring Creek and the Razorback Greenway. Volunteers will park on S. Water St. or Allen Ave., just to the south of Luther George/Grove St. Park.



<u>**Rogers</u>**- Mercy Trailhead. Volunteers will park in the trailhead parking lot, and overflow parking will be at Best Buy across the street.</u>



<u>Siloam Springs</u>- a private landowner's property across from the Kayak Park. Volunteer parking will be available at the park or on the landowner's property located at 19724 Fisher Ford Rd., Siloam Springs, AR. Look for the IRWP signs.



**<u>Fayetteville</u>**- along Owl Creek across from Woolsey Wet Prairie. Volunteer parking will be in the Villages of Sloanbrooke Subdivision on Oldham Dr., Fayetteville, AR.





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