



*On average, it takes 20 years  
before a newly planted tree takes  
in more CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere  
than it puts into the atmosphere.*

*- onearth, Spring 2008*

***When building or improving your property, construct around older trees.***

***Plant and maintain trees properly from the start:***

- 1. Place root flare level or slightly higher than ground level.***
- 2. Loosen surrounding soil so roots have room to grow.***
- 3. Water weekly if no rain.***
- 4. DO NOT OVER MULCH. (no more than 4 inches)***
- 5. Do not pile mulch up bark of trees or shrubs.***
- 6. Do not plant in a berm of wood chips or other mulch.***

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