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**Purpose.** This notice transmits a variance for the specification "Riparian Forest Buffer 391" to be added to the field office technical guide.

**Background.** Some riparian sites are so frequently flooded in the spring that conventional tree planting with bare root stock cannot be accomplished. Air root pruned seedling are larger, have more fibrous roots and begin producing seed much sooner than conventional bare root seedlings. They are suitable for fall planting and can serve as seed trees after as few as 5 years.

**Action.** Add the following page to the end of the above standard and specification.

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Attachment