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Fellow members of the Connecticut Tree Protective Association:

For several years, my colleagues and I have been assisting with an FFA Forestry Career Development Event for regional high school agriscience students. It is a fun event for students to practice their tree and equipment identification skills, tree measurements, map interpretation, tree pathogens, and chainsaw troubleshooting skills.

One way we are hoping to elevate the tree id component of the exam is to have tree section samples in addition to our leaf and twig samples, and I am reaching out to ask for your assistance. Would you be able to provide a few pieces of wood (with bark), for this event? Ideally, something around the size one might use as a firewood stick would be great (12" long, 4-6" diameter wide).

If you are able to do so, I would be happy to speak with you in order to coordinate tree species (I am hoping to get about 50 different species throughout Connecticut) and make arrangements to pick up the samples.

Sincerely,

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