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MCKEITHEN GROWERS' HOSTING 2024 NATIVE PLANT AND TREE EVENT

MYAKKA CITY, FL, March 11, 2024 – Mckeithen Growers, a family-owned and operated native tree farm in Myakka City, Florida is hosting an Earth Day native tree and plant sale on Saturday, April, 20, 2024 from 9AM-4PM. The farm is normally not open to the public and will be open to the public one day only for this special event. FREE parking included.

Attendees can expect to see a diverse array of hard-to-find Florida native trees and plants. Owners Eddie and Patricia McKeithen said "The photos that you see on our website represent the uniqueness of McKeithen Growers. We don't just grow native trees; we grow native trees that you don't typically find in one stop, or are hard to find – period."

The event is family friendly, with opportunities to meet growers on behind-the-scenes farm tours, and learn what goes into growing native trees. There will be native plant information & merchandise available as well as installation services. Food truck refreshments will be on-site throughout the day courtesy of NautiStyleDogs food truck, serving from 11 am to 4 pm, featuring Nathan's Hot Dogs, specialty toppings, chips, canned drinks. Combos are included.

The event benefits the Florida Association of Native Nurseries (FANN), a nonprofit network of professionals that grow, design and plant native for a living world.

Event details at plantrealflorida.org/info/native-news/earth-day-2024

ABOUT MCKEITHEN GROWERS: Eddie and Patricia McKeithen started tree farming in their backyard in 1995. From the beginning, Eddie knew he wanted to focus on native trees to help preserve Florida's environment. He knew natives would be easier to grow and not require nearly as much water or fertilizer. Today, the McKeithens grow over 90 varieties of native trees and plants on their 25-acre farm in Myakka City, Florida. McKeithen Growers supplies other growers, landscape companies, environmental firms and retail nurseries and garden centers. Eddie's son, Christopher, and daughter-in-law Brittany have recently moved nearby to learn the family business, with the intent of becoming the second generation owners of McKeithen Growers. On the web: mckeithengrowers.com.