

Ash Tree Replacement Pilot Program Application Guidelines

A pilot program is being offered in 2018 to assist landowners affected by the Emerald Ash Borer on private property. Cost-share funding will support the removal of the infected ash tree(s) and replacement with a native tree(s).

Funding:

- Up to 50% to a maximum of \$500/tree (removal of ash tree and planting of a replacement tree), maximum \$5,000/landowner
- Funding is allocated on a first-come, first-serve basis

Eligible Applicants:

- Landowners within the City of Ottawa
- Retro-active applications (work completed prior to July 15, 2018) are not eligible

Project Details:

- An International Society of Arboriculture (ISA)
 certified Arborist or Registered Professional
 Forester (RPF) must confirm the tree is an ash and
 infected with Emerald Ash Borer
 - Find a certified arborist: www.treesaregood.org
 - Find a Registered Professional Forester: www.opfa.ca
- Infected Ash to be removed must be 10 cm in diameter or greater
- All work related to tree removal and replacement must be performed by a registered forestry professional. Removal and disposal of infected tree(s) should adhere to Canadian Food Inspection Agency regulations
- Ash stumps should be treated or ground to prevent regrowth of the tree
- Removed tree must be replaced with a native tree of either potted stock or caliper-sized (up to 50 mm diameter)
- Replacement trees must be planted on private property not on City of Ottawa road allowance

Applicant Responsibilities:

- Submit application prior to removing infected ash tree(s)
- Ensure the project meets all legal requirements
- Future maintenance of the replacement tree(s)
- Obtain locates for underground infrastructure prior to removing/planting trees
 - Ontario One Call: 1-800-400-2255 or www.on1call.com

Eligible Costs:

- Permits and approvals
- Purchased supplies and materials (e.g. tree, support stakes, mycorrhizal fertilizer)
- Contract labour and professional fees (e.g. Arborist, RFP, registered forestry professional, tree delivery)
 - Taxes are <u>not</u> eligible

To Apply:

- Contact South Nation Conservation (SNC) at 1-877-984-2948 ext. 286 or visit www.nation.on.ca/eab
- Submit a completed application form
- SNC will review your application and confirm if funding is approved

Approved Projects:

- Complete project and submit the following:
 - Invoices and proof of payment (e.g. cancelled cheque or invoiced stamped "paid" and signed by supplier)
 - Photo of replacement tree(s)
- SNC will issue grant payment once all required paperwork is submitted and approved

