



March 25, 2013

Dear Neighbor:

The City of Roseville operates a Shade Tree Disease Control Program under ordinance #706. This program includes inspecting and ensuring the proper handling of diseased trees. Trees on private property are the responsibility of the property owner. Trees on public property are the responsibility of the jurisdiction.

This letter is specifically to make you aware that Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has recently been discovered in Roseville on the 2800 block of Snelling Avenue, in the general vicinity of your property. EAB is difficult to detect, is a serious invasive tree pest that attacks and kills ash trees and may spread. A newly infested tree shows very few external signs of the insect. One of the first signs is the jagged holes in the bark created by woodpeckers trying to dig out the larvae. Emerging adult beetles will create a D-shape exit hole.

The infested tree/trees will be removed in the near future per ordinance #706. City and State officials will be in the area of the discovery in the days, weeks and months ahead and may recommend further removals and/or treatment.

For more information on EAB please visit the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) website at: <http://www.mda.state.mn.us/plants/pestmanagement/eab.aspx> .

If you or anyone else has questions, please contact Seasonal Forestry Technician Anita Twaroski at anita.twaroski@ci.roseville.mn.us or 651-792-7142. Ms. Twaroski's current schedule is Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.. Please leave your name, address and phone number and your call will be returned as soon as possible. Please bear with us as we begin to address the Emerald Ash Borer issue in the City of Roseville.

Sincerely,

Lonnie Brokke, Director
Roseville Parks and Recreation