

June 24, 2015



## EMERALD ASH BORER (EAB) NOTIFICATION

CITY OF URBANA, ARBOR DIVISION  
Michael Brunk, City Arborist (384-2393)

Dear Residents:

The City of Urbana has listed the parkway ash tree adjacent to your residence for removal due the tree having signs of EAB activity. The process will include removal of the stump at a later date and be scheduled for tree replacement if the parkway space is sufficiently sized for a new tree.

EAB was discovered in Urbana in the spring of 2014 on a private tree in the West Green St area and throughout Urbana since. Urbana's goal is to remove infested EAB trees within the year discovered. All EAB ash trees 18" in diameter and smaller will be removed and chipped on site throughout the year. All EAB ash trees larger than 18" in diameter will be targeted for removal during the fall winter and early spring months of the year when the insect is dormant.



EAB photographed in Urbana June 2015

Trees will be replaced at no cost to homeowner if it is determined that there is sufficient growing space for a new tree/s without impeding driveway, intersection and or traffic control visibility. Tree replacement will be determined by the City Arborist or designated Arbor staff. No tree will be replanted if it is determined there is insufficient room or a new tree planting will impede important visibility sight lines. Tree replacements will generally be targeted for replanting one to three years after removal.

The Replacement Program provides you with a well rooted, quality tree species selected for the Right of Way space adjacent to your property. Large shade trees will generally be selected for replacements unless limited space requires a smaller or narrow shaped tree. New trees will vary in size but generally be 5 to 6 feet tall, depending on species.

If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact me at 384-2393.

Sincerely,

Mike Brunk  
Urbana City Arborist