

Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan Edgerton, Ohio

PURPOSE:

The Village of Edgerton by implementing the Emerald ash borer plan is attempting to mitigate the disruption to its urban forest caused by the pending infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB).

The Village will endeavor to distribute the costs associated with the certain and massive tree death over a manageable period of time. In an attempt to lesson the social and economic impact that such a loss will have on the quality of life in the community.

ADMINISTRATION

The Edgerton Tree Commission will be responsible for the implementation of this plan and seeing the provisions are carried out.

ASH TREE REMOVAL

The Tree Commission will conduct an inventory of all publicly owned property within its jurisdiction. The inventory will state the location, size, and condition. The Tree Commission will establish a budget and prioritize the trees for removal. It is the policy of the Village of Edgerton, Ohio to remove all ash trees from Village property.

The Tree Commission will keep a record of all ash trees removed and the disposal of the wood and wood chips.

MONITORING

The Tree Commission will monitor all ash trees for infestation and set priorities for removals and will coordinate with the Department of Agriculture (ODA) on their Detection tree program.

WOOD UTILIZATION AND DISPOSAL

The Tree commission will develop a plan to use the wood generated during the removal program. The plan must comply with the Ohio Department of Agriculture regulations.

PRIVATE ASH TREES

The EDGERTON Village Council encourages all residents who are in charge of property with the Village limits to remove the trees in a timely manner. Waiting for the tree to die before removing could be hazardous to you, your neighbor or passing traffic. Ash trees once infected begins to die and will be completely dead in three to five years. The tree will fall once it dies. Wind snow and ice will hasten the tree in coming down.

The Edgerton Tree Commission will notify any land owner that they find having an ash tree on their property that they have an ash tree and that they should remove the tree.