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COMMUNITY FORESTRY COMMISSION

**Wednesday, February 15, 2023; 5:30 p.m.
Community Auditorium, 1915 Main Street**

Michael Howell, Vice Chair
Shaun English
Justin Marble

Mark Nakajima, Chair

Bruce Countryman
David Hunter
Jeremy Sapp

Council Liaison, Timothy Rippe

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A. Call to Order; Roll Call

B. Public Comment: Anyone wishing to speak to the Community Forestry Commission on an item not on the agenda or on the agenda and not scheduled for a public hearing may be heard. All testimony is electronically recorded. Written comments may be submitted by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting to driordan@forestgrove-or.gov.

C. Action Items

1. Review and Approve Meeting Minutes; January 18, 2023
2. Elect Officers for Calendar Year 2023

D. Discussion Items

1. Approval to Remove One Oregon White Oak on Register at 1827 17th Avenue
2. 2023 Arbor Month Event Planning
3. Emerald Ash Borer Update
4. City Council Boards and Commission Discussion

E. Council Liaison Report: Councilor Rippe

F. Commissioner Reports: All

G. Staff Communications: Dan Riordan

H. Announce Next Meeting and Adjourn: March 15, 2023

Zoom Video Conferencing

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84296172755?pwd=L0hgNEVlVzZWMWRncjBoNWZjTUZSZz09>

Meeting ID: 842 9617 2755

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CFC Meeting Minutes January 18, 2023

Approved by CFC on

- A. **Called to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Michael Howell at 5:34 p.m.

Members Present: Bruce Countryman, Shaun English, Michael Howell, David Hunter, Jeremy Sapp, Councilor Rippe (Via Zoom)

Members Absent: Mark Nakajima, Justin Marble

Staff Present: Dan Riordan

- B. **Public Comment:** None

- C. **Welcome New Members:** Vice-Chair Michael Howell welcomed new Commission members in attendance: Councilor Rippe (Council liaison) and Shaun English (student liaison).

- D. **Action Items:**

1. **Review and Approve Meeting Minutes; November 16, 2022:** David recommended a clarification to the last sentence in the second paragraph on page 2 to specify that injecting trees to reduce impacts has been used instead of spraying because spraying cannot be contained well. David made a motion, seconded by Shaun to approve the meeting minutes with the suggested clarification. The motion passed unanimously.
2. **Elect Officers for Calendar Year 2023:** David made a motion, seconded by Shaun to defer the election of officers to the February 15, 2023, to allow participation of absent members. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **Approve Calendar Year 2023 Meeting Calendar:** David made a motion, seconded by Shaun, to accept the 2023 meeting calendar as proposed. The motion passed unanimously. The Commission will meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm with no meetings in July or August.

E. Discussion Items

1. **Emerald Ash Borer: Oregon Department of Agriculture Temporary Quarantine:** Dan informed the Commission that the Oregon Department of Agriculture issued a temporary quarantine banning the transport of wood materials beyond Washington County. The temporary quarantine will last until May 15, 2023, after which time the Oregon Department of Agriculture will assess the situation based on data collected. Dan also informed the Commission that the Oregon Department of Agriculture and Oregon Department of Forestry are testing a mobile incinerator that can be used to burn infected ash tree wood since burning is the preferred method of wood disposal. A demonstration was given at the Kyle Park property near B Street in December. Dan noted the incinerator requires a DEQ permit based on information provided at a recent Emerald Ash Borer Task Force meeting conducted by the Oregon Department of Agriculture.
2. **Begin 2023 Arbor Month Event Planning:** The Commission discussed holding the Arbor Day tree planting at Thatcher Park or Lincoln Park. Dan offered to contact the City's Parks Supervisor about the location. David offered to purchase a plaque to place at one of the trees to honor former City Council liaison Ron Thompson. David recommended a tree variety be selected in coordination with the family. Councilor Rippe offered to contact Mrs. Thompson to find out what Ron's favorite trees were.

- F. Council Liaison Report:** Councilor Rippe mentioned he met with former-Councilor Kottkey to get up to speed on the Commission's work. Councilor Rippe also noted that his approach will be different from Councilor Kottkey's and he would like to hear from the Commission members about how best to use the Council Liaison Report time on the agenda to inform the Commission.
- G. Commissioner Communications:** The Commission had a robust discussion on homelessness affecting the community including camping near sensitive areas near streams. Councilor Rippe suggested the Commission draft a letter to City Council expressing concerns.
- H. Staff Communications:** Dan mentioned that City Council meeting on Monday night, January 23rd, will include a work session on restructuring the City's boards and commissions. Dan noted that Forest Grove has many more boards and commissions than other cities in Washington County.
- I. Announce Next Meeting and Adjourn: February 15, 2023:** David made a motion, seconded by Jeremy to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Dan Riordan, Senior Planner
Staff Liaison to the CFC

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January 27, 2023

Dan Riordan driordan@forestgrove-or.gov
Keith Horman khorman@forestgrove-or.gov
City of Forest Grove
Forest Grove, OR 97116

**RE: Visual Tree Assessment inspection of Oregon white oak 1827 17th Avenue
Forest Grove, OR 97116.**

Dear Dan and Keith,

On January 27, 2023, I inspected by Visual Tree Assessment (VTA), the Oregon white oak (*Quercus garryana*) tree on the property listed above to look at the tree's safety and health.¹ Visual Tree Assessment Level 2. Use of DBH tape, Nikon Camera, mallet for sound testing, 4' probe for probing crack and base.

The oak tree is 48" DBH (diameter at breast height or 54" above ground). The tree has canopy spread of 35' and is 80' tall. The upper canopy has tip dieback as sign that the tree has disease internally. The tree leans 30 degrees to the east and the limb weight and wood weight is on the east and south side of the tree, the lean is to the southeast side of the tree, so direction of failure could be altered from the direction the wood weight wants to fall. The tree with its roots failing is starting to lift the tension side of the tree towards the house. The tree is over high voltage powerlines and would easily cross 17th Avenue.

The hammer testing sounded good on numerous areas of the root flare especially as I worked around the base of the tree. I have been watching this tree over 30 years and the lean has progressed that the tree is now an active failure and gravity is pulling the tree over, roots are probably rotten.

Tree hazard area had been marked off on street with signs. Hazard area is 80-120' from the tree especially on southeast area.

The Consequences of Failure is **Severe**. Likelihood of Impact is **High**. The Likelihood of Failure and Impact is **Very Likely**. Risk Matrix Rating is **Extreme**.

This tree requires Immediate Action of Removal! EXTREME HAZARD!

I recommend that this tree be removed by crane because I don't think the tree could handle the shock load from lowering from the tree directly.

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I did take photographs for visual records. Diameter was taken as part of field notes. Risk concerns Extreme currentlyⁱⁱ.

Certification

I certify that all of the statements in the foregoing report are correct to the best of my knowledge, and are made in good faith.

Questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,



*David D. Hunter, Consulting Arborist
ASCA Registered Consulting Arborist # 408
USFS Hazard Tree Inspector Trained since 1978
ISA Certified Arborist # PN-1068A
ISA Tree Risk Assessor Qualified
Professional Forester*



ⁱ Field Guide for Hazard-Tree Identification and Mitigation on Developed Sites in Oregon and Washington Forests. USDA Forest Service. Forest Health Protection. Pacific Northwest Region. Portland, OR. 2014. R6-NR-TP-021-2013.

ⁱⁱ Tree Risk Assessment Manual 2nd Edition. International Society of Arboriculture. 2017.

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View of the oak tree and direction of lean.

Daniel Riordan

From: Timothy Rippe
Sent: Monday, January 30, 2023 5:50 PM
To: Daniel Riordan
Subject: Fwd: Emerald Ash Borer
Attachments: ACI Permitting and EAB Treatment Near Forest Grove

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Hi Dan,

I reached out to Rep. McLain in reference to the mobile incinerator. I received a response from both Rep. McLain's office and DEQ. It appears the incinerator is permitted for use and can be used for infested emerald ash borer trees.

You may want to pass this along to the Forestry Commission members and Parks & Rec if they are the ones who take care of those trees.

Respectfully,

Tim Rippe
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Rep McLain <rep.susanmclain@oregonlegislature.gov>
Date: January 30, 2023 at 17:00:26 PST
To: Timothy Rippe <trippe@forestgrove-or.gov>
Subject: Re: Emerald Ash Borer

Hi Timothy,

Thank you for reaching out with this inquiry. We reached out to our contact from DEQ and they said that they already developed a general permit for Air Curtain Incinerators and there are several operating throughout the state. You can learn more about the ACI operating in Oregon by visiting their webpage [here](#). Since it seemed like a larger game of telephone might be happening, their AQ Permitting program manager reached out directly to Councilor Rippe last week. I am attaching that correspondence.

Thank you and I hope this helps!

Best,

Gabby Mijalski-Fahim
Legislative Aide II
Rep. Susan McLain (HD 29)
Office Number: H-493
Cell: (949) 382-0956

From: Timothy Rippe <trippe@forestgrove-or.gov>
Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2023 2:34 PM
To: Rep McLain <Rep.SusanMcLain@oregonlegislature.gov>
Subject: Emerald Ash Borer

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Good afternoon Rep. McLain,

The Forest Grove Forestry Commission has been discussing action around the impact of the infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer in Oregon. Three trees in Forest Grove have already been affected. One solution and the preferred solution is to incinerate the affected trees. It has come to my attention that there is a mobile incinerator that the Oregon Department of Forestry would like to use, but is currently being held up by DEQ in the permitting process. This infestation will quickly get out of hand unless steps can be taken to mitigate its spread.

Can you please inquire with DEQ the expected permitting of a mobile incinerator?

Thank you!

Respectfully,

Timothy A. Rippe
Councilor

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Phone: 503-992-3200

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Oregon

Tina Kotek, Governor

January 25, 2022

Dear Councilor Rippe,

Thank you for your inquiry. The Department of Environmental Quality has already developed a general permit for Air Curtain Incinerators and there are several operating throughout the state. You can learn more about the ACI operating in Oregon by visiting our webpage [here](#).

In addition, DEQ is working in conjunction with the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Forestry on a comprehensive EAB Response/ACI Emissions Testing Project. As a part of that project, the team discussed incineration of the infested ash trees and explored two sites within the city limits of Forest Grove. The team was informed in January that the City did not want this emissions test to occur within city limits. In response the project was moved to an area outside the city but still within the EAB quarantine area.

DEQ and our project partners are currently collecting infested material to be incinerated during the spring emissions test. Since the new testing site has been established outside the city, it would require delivery of the infested material to the debris staging area. The debris staging area and new testing site are located only a short distance outside of city limits on a portion of the Fernhill property owned by Clean Water Services. Margaret Miller is one of the lead project coordinators and she will be able to provide more information about dropping off infested material. To date, Margaret has been working with Tom Martin, Parks Supervisor with the City of Forest Grove but please advise if she should be coordinating with someone else. Margaret can be reach directly by phone 503-347-5028 or by email at margaret.miller@deq.oregon.gov.

Sincerely,

Michael Orman

Air Quality Planning Section Manager

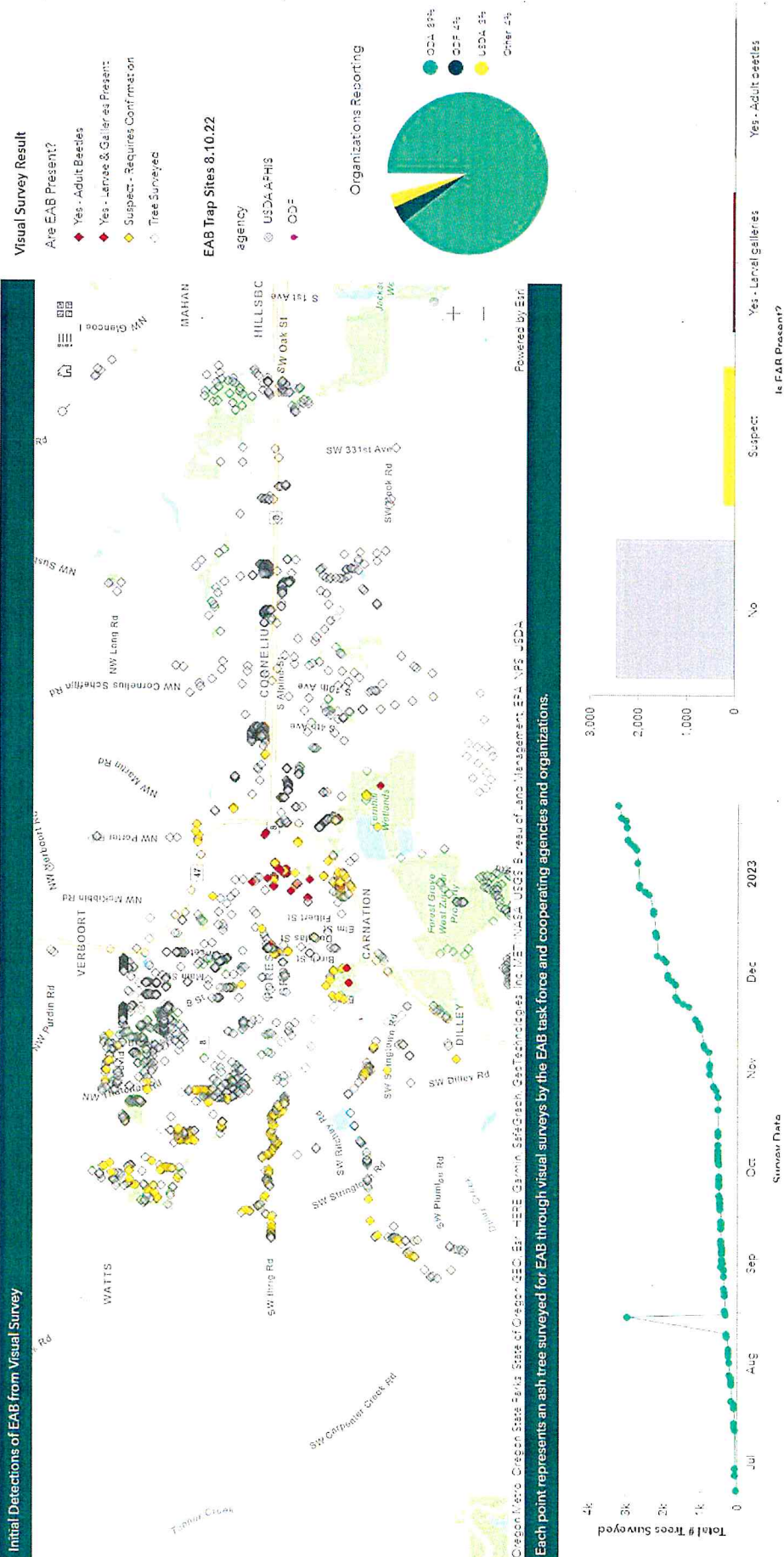
Optional Mission Statement Here



Emerald Ash Borer in Oregon: Initial Detections Dashboard

February 6, 2023

Initial Detections of EAB from Visual Survey



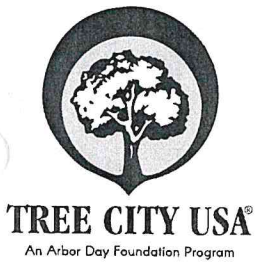


Bradshaw Nursery, LLC
 Plant availability - Fall 2022/Spring 2023
 www.BradshawNursery.com

Phone: 503-423-7978
 Fax: 971-327-7333

	Description	Qty	2022/23 Price
Deciduous Trees			
Acer rubrum 'Red Sunset' - SPECIAL	1.5"-1.75" caliper	95	\$ 90
Azara microphylla	5-6" tree form; 1" caliper	85	\$ 80
Azara microphylla	4-5' shrub form	5	\$ 75
Carpinus caroliniana	1.5"-1.75"	23	\$ 93
Carpinus caroliniana	1.25"-1.5"	2	\$ 85
Cercis canadensis (straight species) - SPECIAL	1.25"-1.5" caliper	175	\$ 90
Cornus florida Rubra	6/7'	20	\$ 72
Cornus kousa var. chinensis	5-6'	25	\$ 70
Cornus kousa 'Wolf Eyes'	4-5' tree; 1.25"-1.5" caliper	6	\$ 80
Fagus sylvatica 'Red Obelisk'	6/8'	15	\$ 70
Fagus sylvatica 'Roseo-Marginata'	6/8	12	\$ 70
Hamamelis x intermedia 'Rubin'	Tree form - 2" caliper in #65 container	6	\$ 165
Hydrangea paniculata 'Tardiva'	#10 3'+	40	\$ 37
Lagerstroemia Catawba	4/5' in #15 shrub form	10	\$ 80
Lagerstroemia Muskogee	5/6' in #15 shrub form	10	\$ 85
Lagerstroemia Natchez	5/6' in #15 shrub form	10	\$ 85
Malus 'Royal Raindrops'	1.5"-1.75"	7	\$ 100
Magnolia 'Wada's Memory'	3" caliper low branch; branching at 12-24"	2	\$ 165
Nyssa sylvatica	1.75"-2"	25	\$ 120
Nyssa sylvatica	1.25"-1.5"	75	\$ 85
Pistacia chinensis	2.5"	10	\$ 175
Quercus fran. 'Forest Green'	2"-2.25"	3	\$ 150
Styrax japonicus	1"-1.25" caliper	200	\$ 70
Styrax japonicus 'JFS-D' / Snowcone Styrax	1.75" in #20 container	10	\$ 135
Styrax japonicus 'Pink Parasol'	1.25"-1.5" caliper ; 5/6'	17	\$ 95
Styrax japonicus 'Pink Parasol'	1"-1.25" caliper ; 4/5'	10	\$ 70
Styrax obassia	1.25"-1.5"	34	\$ 85
Styrax obassia	1.5"-1.75"	15	\$ 105
Speciality Fruit Trees			
Fuji Apple Espalier	1.25"-1.5" 3 tier	10	\$ 90
Granny Smith Apple Espalier	1.75"; 2 tier	4	\$ 100
Granny Smith Apple Espalier	1"-1.25"; 2 tier	2	\$ 75
Granny Smith Apple Espalier	1"-1.25"; 3 tier	5	\$ 75
Gravenstein Apple Espalier	1.25"-1.5" 3 tier	5	\$ 90
Gravenstein Apple Espalier	1.5"-1.75" 3 tier	6	\$ 100
Honeycrisp Apple Espalier	1.25" - 2 tier	2	\$ 85
McIntosh Apple Espalier	1.5" 2 tier	5	\$ 90
McIntosh Apple Espalier	1.25"-1.5" 3 tier	15	\$ 90
Yellow Delicious Apple Espalier	1.25"-1.5"; 3 tier	18	\$ 90
Anjou Pear Espalier	2" - 2 tier	1	\$ 110
Red Bartlett Pear Espalier	1"-1.25" - 3 tier	2	\$ 85
Conference Pear Espalier	1.25"-1.5" 3 tier	2	\$ 90
20th Century Asian Pear Espalier	1.75" - 3 tier	1	\$ 110

20th Century Asian Pear Espalier	1.25"-1.5" - 2 tier	3	\$	90
Combination Espalier European Pear	#10 container; 2 tier: Anjou and Barlett	1	\$	65
Santa Rosa Plum Espalier	1.25"-1.5" 3 tier	1	\$	90
Evergreen plants				
Agave scabra	5 gallon	35	\$	25
Arbutus unedo	tree form - 4/5' tall; 1.25" caliper	13	\$	70
Arbutus unedo 'Compacta'	15 gallon 3/4' tall	7	\$	65
Arbutus 'Marina'	tree form in #15; 1.25" caliper	15	\$	120
Arbutus 'Marina'	Shrub form in #15; 5' tall	15	\$	110
Calocedrus decurrens	5/6'	40	\$	70
Cham. Obtusa Gracilis - Hinoki	5/6'	50	\$	80
Cupressus 'Gold Rider'	6/7'	15	\$	80
Pinus contorta	4/5'	15	\$	65
Pinus contorta	5/6'	15	\$	72
Prunus laurocerasus 'Schipkaensis'	4-5'; limbed up 12"	10	\$	35



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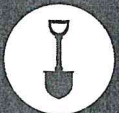
Tree City USA Summary

2021

69
TREE CITY USA
COMMUNITIES
O NEW

57.11%
OF STATE
LIVES IN A TREE CITY
USA COMMUNITY

100.00% RECERTIFICATION RATE



REPORTED NUMBER OF
TREES PLANTED

54,132

LARGEST

Portland
POPULATION 654,741

SMALLEST

Rivergrove
POPULATION 372

LONGEST-RUNNING
ACTIVE TREE CITY USA
COMMUNITY:

Salem
46 YEARS

\$24,211,099

SPENT ON
URBAN FORESTRY
MANAGEMENT



\$10.01
average per capita

Growth Award

20 Growth Award
Recipients

LONGEST ACTIVE GROWTH AWARD

La Grande
30 YEARS

5 NEW Growth
Award Recipients

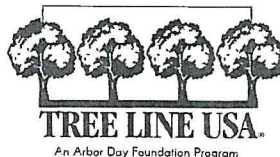
BEYOND TREE CITY USA



An Arbor Day Foundation Program

8 Recognized
Oregon Schools

1 NEWLY
Recognized Schools



An Arbor Day Foundation Program

1 Tree Line USA
Utilities

LONGEST ACTIVE UTILITY:

PacificCorp
21 YEARS



An Arbor Day Foundation Program

Recognized Healthcare Facilities:

