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# Press Release

**Reedsburg, WI, Friday, December 12, 2014**

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has become a concern in Reedsburg. The City Council has adopted a policy of ash tree management in public parks and on city boulevards. That policy takes an approach of making a gradual transition away from public ash trees. The public ash trees are being removed in groups. The first group of approximately 100 trees is scheduled for removal in the winter of 2014/2015 has begun and are marked with a pink X on the trunk. Removal of the first 100 trees should be completed prior to March 31, 2015. The stumps will be removed as well and topsoil and seed will be put in their place sometime next spring.

The City Council has approved funding for the purchase and planting of a diversity of trees in 2015. Property owners adjacent to the trees being removed will be allowed to request one of those trees to be planted on the boulevard. It is unknown at this time how many trees the City will be able to purchase and plant but we will try to accommodate your requests for replacement trees.

If you have taken measures to chemically treat the ash tree on the boulevard in front of your home and wish to continue doing so, please contact the City with the location of the tree.

Please contact Steven Zibell at 608-524-6404 with any further questions.

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