Town of West Newbury Ash Tree Inventory Update | 2023



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Town of West Newbury - Ash Tree Inventory Update 2023

INTRODUCTION

In July 2022, the Town of West Newbury, Massachusetts retained Bartlett Tree Experts to perform a survey of ash trees along the roadways throughout the town. As a result of the 2022 Ash Tree Survey, 177 ash trees were identified as suitable for Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) treatment.

All 177 ash trees were treated by systemic injection in June 2023. Unfortunately, many ash trees in the region are in decline due to EAB. Realistically, all ash trees in the area that are left untreated will ultimately die. EAB, combined with the previous several years of drought, and particularly harsh cold weather during winter 2023 has caused a large portion of the 177 ash trees to be in notable decline.

Our assignment for this report is to re-inventory the 177 specific ash trees and to make a determination of whether or not it is recommended to perform a systemic stem injection to suppress Emerald Ash Borer, in Spring 2024. Team member Kat Cummings visited the site in September 2023 to conduct the inventory.

There are only two conditions that we evaluated for:

- 1) Determine if the ash is a candidate for treatment, or;
- 2) Determine if the ash is a candidate for removal.

All ash that are left untreated are considered removals. Further, no trees were assessed for risk — strictly whether or not it is advisable to treat certain trees for EAB. All 177 trees were evaluated, and only the most viable ash trees are recommended for treatment.

Specifically, the inventory included:

- observing 177 trees that were determined to be suitable for ash treatment during the July 2022 inventory. These trees were previously identified with a Tree ID number (Tree ID numbers ranging from 1 to 483);
- recommending EAB treatment to appropriate trees.

The methods and procedures we used to make the above determinations and recommendations are detailed in the following sections.

GOALS & OBJECTIVES

An effective inventory update report communicates clear goals and the specific objectives designed to carry out those goals. We intend "goal" to mean the overall aim or result we expect to achieve for the client in producing the inventory update. The objectives are the specific actions taken or recommended to support goal completion. The table below describes each goal and its corresponding objective(s).

GOALS & OBJECTIVES

GOAL	OBJECTIVES TO ACCOMPLISH GOAL
Update the ash tree inventory (per numbers agreed) throughout the Town of West Newbury.	 Trees were inventoried using Trimble® Geo GPSr hardware and ArborScope™ Inventory Management Tools, collect data such as tree name, location, and size Tree ID numbers were to each tree inventoried.
Provide mechanism for managing inventory, recommendations, and related budget planning. Maximize client understanding and	 Provide map or maps of the inventoried trees to assist the client in managing property areas. Submit a comprehensive report that documents and organizes findings and provides other resources to assist the client in efficient use of the information.
Maximize client understanding and implementation of the update report.	 Include in report specific explanations and visuals related to plan recommendations. Make periodic contact with client to follow up and answer any questions about the management plan's contents.
Maximize immediate and long-term tree health and aesthetics.	Implement a plant-health-care program that uses • Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) treatments for identified trees in the 2024 growing season
Manage immediate and long-term maintenance needs associated with trees in high-use areas.	Implement recommended tree removals • all trees that are determined to be unsuitable for EAB treatments are recommended for removal

DATA COLLECTION & TREE INSPECTION METHODOLOGY

In conducting the inventory, we used specialized equipment and software and followed specific procedures to determine tree characteristics and recommendations. The following explanation will assist the reader in interpreting the findings of this report.

Data Collection Equipment & Attribute Data

The Inventory Team used Trimble® Geo GPSr hardware units, TerraSync® and GPS Pathfinder® Office GIS software, and Bartlett Tree Experts' ArborScope™ web-based management system to inventory the trees. The attribute data we collected on site are listed below.

- botanical name and regional common name according to local ISA Chapter Tree Species List
- tree location based on GPS coordinate system
- tree ID number
- diameter at breast height (DBH)
- Emerald Ash Borer treatment recommendations

Limitations of Tree Risk Assessments

All ash tree assessments were performed from the ground. This tree inventory was not a tree risk assessment. As such, no trees were assessed for risk in accordance with industry standards, nor are there any tree risk ratings or risk mitigation recommendations provided within this report.

Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Treatment

Trees were observed only for the purpose of determining which trees are appropriate for EAB systemic trunk injection treatments during the 2024 growing season. Many of the ash trees have declined throughout the area. Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is the primary cause of ash tree mortality in West Newbury. In addition to EAB pressure, ash trees also are threatened by other stresses and environmental conditions such as drought and winter injury. When combined with the evident EAB problem in West Newbury, these environmental factors have a synergistic effect on the overall tree decline in the area.

At this time, a total of 89 trees are recommended for treatment in 2024. The 88 other trees were determined to be in too poor of a condition to respond adequately to treatment. These trees are recommended to be removed, now. Certain pests and diseases may not have been visible at the time of this past inventory. Environmental factors may also impact tree condition. Continued monitoring is recommended.

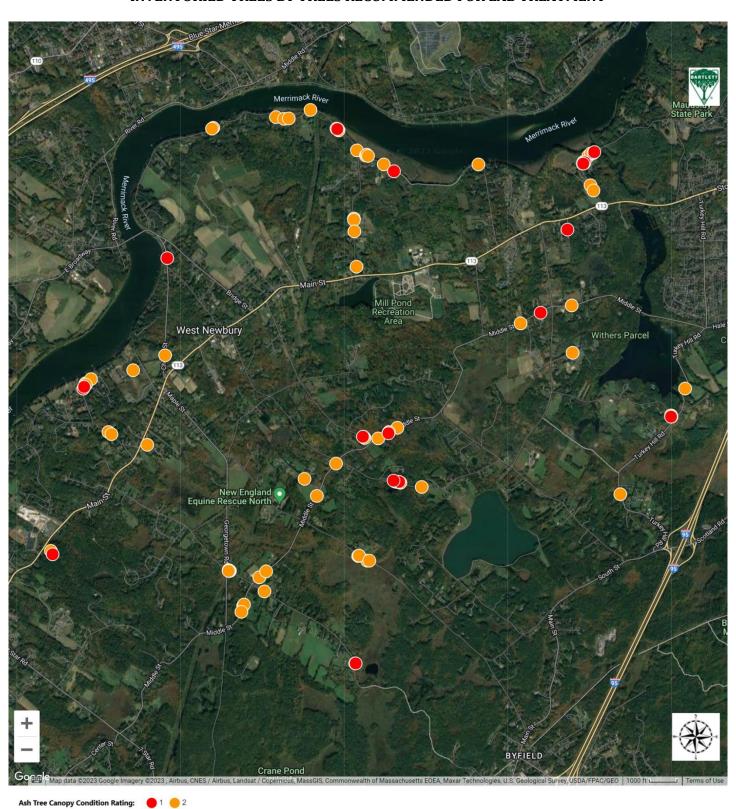
ASH TREES RECOMMENDED FOR EAB TREATMENT

Tree	Common
ID	Name
1	Ash-White
3	Ash-White
9	Ash-White
11	Ash-White
14	Ash-White
15	Ash-White
16	Ash-White
21	Ash-White
22	Ash-White
34	Ash-White
35	Ash-Green
53	Ash-Green
58	Ash-Green
89	Ash-Green
90	Ash-Green
101	Ash-Green
109	Ash-Green
115	Ash-White
116	Ash-White
121	Ash-Green
122	Ash-Green
125	Ash-Green
131	Ash-Green
137	Ash-White
142	Ash-White
143	Ash-White
144	Ash-White
149	Ash-White
153	Ash-Green
155	Ash-Green

Tree	Common
ID	Name
162	Ash-Green
163	Ash-Green
174	Ash-Green
179	Ash-Green
180	Ash-Green
191	Ash-Green
194	Ash-Green
196	Ash-Green
199	Ash-White
202	Ash-White
208	Ash-White
209	Ash-White
211	Ash-White
212	Ash-White
213	Ash-White
214	Ash-White
215	Ash-White
236	Ash-White
245	Ash-White
250	Ash-White
259	Ash-White
260	Ash-White
261	Ash-White
272	Ash-White
278	Ash-White
279	Ash-White
280	Ash-White
281	Ash-White
287	Ash-White
296	Ash-White

Tree	Common
ID	Name
300	Ash-White
333	Ash-White
334	Ash-White
340	Ash-White
351	Ash-White
353	Ash-White
357	Ash-White
364	Ash-White
366	Ash-White
368	Ash-White
369	Ash-Green
384	Ash-White
385	Ash-White
386	Ash-White
387	Ash-White
388	Ash-White
393	Ash-White
395	Ash-White
399	Ash-White
400	Ash-White
412	Ash-White
413	Ash-White
414	Ash-White
415	Ash-White
420	Ash-White
432	Ash-White
434	Ash-White
467	Ash-White
468	Ash-White

INVENTORIED TREES BY TREES RECOMMENDED FOR EAB TREATMENT



ENTIRE INVENTORY



ENTIRE INVENTORY (177 Trees)

Tree ID	Common Name	Genus	Species	DBH	Treatment Recommended
1	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	13	Yes
2	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	No
3	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	22	Yes
4	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12,12,12,12,5	No
5	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	40	No
9	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	17	Yes
11	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	Yes
13	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	16,7	No
14	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	13,8	Yes
15	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18,11	Yes
16	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	22	Yes
21	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	14	Yes
22	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	20	Yes
30	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	22	No
34	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	23,18	Yes
35	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	19	Yes
38	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	No
39	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	36	No
44	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	21	No
49	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	13	No
50	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	17	No
51	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	16	No
53	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	12	Yes
58	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	15	Yes
59	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	13,9	No
69	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	24	No
71	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	18	No
72	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	21	No
75	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	10	No
81	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	28	No
84	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	16	No
89	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	12	Yes
90	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	15	Yes
92	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	16	No
93	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	24	No
94	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	14	No
101	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	33	Yes
103	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	16	No
104	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	21	No
108	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	12	No
109	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	28	Yes
112	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	16,13	No
115	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	30	Yes

Tree ID	Common Name	Genus	Species	DBH	Treatment Recommended
116	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	Yes
118	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	12	No
121	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	1	Yes
122	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	23	Yes
123	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	21	No
124	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	16	No
125	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	20	Yes
128	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	15	No
131	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	22	Yes
137	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	34	Yes
138	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	31	No
142	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	13	Yes
143	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	13,12	Yes
144	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	Yes
149	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10	Yes
153	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	10	Yes
155	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	18	Yes
159	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	15	No
162	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	23	Yes
163	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	38	Yes
172	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	22	No
173	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	10,6	No
174	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	12	Yes
177	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	26	No
179	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	13	Yes
180	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	14	Yes
181	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	14,10	No
185	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	24	No
190	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	18	No
191	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	11	Yes
194	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	11	Yes
195	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	18	No
196	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	18	Yes
198	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	19	No
199	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	19	Yes
201	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	16,15	No
202	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	Yes
204	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	13	No
206	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	No
208	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	16,16	Yes
209	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	24	Yes
211	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	24	Yes
212	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	Yes
213	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	17	Yes
214	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	21	Yes
215	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	15	Yes

Tree ID	Common Name	Genus	Species	DBH	Treatment Recommended
216	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	14	No
230	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	No
232	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10	No
233	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	11	No
235	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10,8	No
236	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	16	Yes
240	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	No
241	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	16	No
244	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	22	No
245	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	Yes
247	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	31	No
248	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	No
250	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	19	Yes
259	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	26	Yes
260	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	Yes
261	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	34	Yes
263	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	13	No
264	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	35	No
267	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	No
272	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	Yes
273	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	11	No
275	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	21	No
278	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	19,14	Yes
279	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	27	Yes
280	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	25	Yes
281	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	13	Yes
282	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	16	No
283	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	25	No
285	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	30	No
287	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	Yes
292	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	No
296	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	15	Yes
300	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	42	Yes
308	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	13	No
309	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	10	No
312	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	12	No
333	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	36	Yes
334	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10	Yes
340	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	14	Yes
351	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	16	Yes
353	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	22,17,14	Yes
356	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10	No Voc
357	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	20	Yes
361	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	32	No
362	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	30	No
364	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	Yes

Tree ID	Common Name	Genus	Species	DBH	Treatment Recommended
365	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	33,30	No
366	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	17	Yes
368	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	21	Yes
369	Ash-Green	Fraxinus	pennsylvanica	17	Yes
371	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10	No
384	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	25,13	Yes
385	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10	Yes
386	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	21	Yes
387	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	20,13	Yes
388	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10	Yes
393	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	24	Yes
394	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12,10,10	No
395	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	11	Yes
396	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10	No
398	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	15	No
399	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10	Yes
400	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	Yes
412	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	14,12	Yes
413	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	Yes
414	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	14	Yes
415	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	15	Yes
420	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	18	Yes
423	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	22	No
424	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	13,11	No
425	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	No
426	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	33	No
430	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	27	No
432	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	11	Yes
433	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	14	No
434	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	19	Yes
452	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	20	No
457	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	20	No
460	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	21	No
462	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12	No
463	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	23	No
466	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	24	No
467	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	12,5,3	Yes
468	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	24	Yes
469	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	22	No
481	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	10	No
482	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	19	No
483	Ash-White	Fraxinus	americana	15,14	No