

Who can apply?

Residents from any of Northumberland County's seven municipalities:

- Township of Alnwick/Haldimand
- Municipality of Brighton
- Town of Cobourg
- Township of Cramahe
- Township of Hamilton
- Municipality of Port Hope
- Municipality of Trent Hills

Applicants do not need to have ash trees on their property to be eligible to receive saplings.

Where can you plant the trees?

All trees must be planted on private property in Northumberland County.

Offset must be provided from power lines and other overhead or underground obstructions.

How to apply

For information on how to apply for trees through this program, please visit www.grca.on.ca/programs-stewardship

You will receive notice when your application has been received.

If approved, you will be notified of the pick-up date and time, and will be provided with planting instructions.

Please note that eligible applications are considered on a first come, first served basis, and on their own merit. There is no guarantee that an applicant will receive stock in 2020.

Trees will be available for pick-up from the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority in the spring.

Northumberland County Emerald Ash Borer Replacement Tree Program



For inquiries about the tree replacement program:
Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority
2216 County Road 28
Port Hope, ON L1A 3V8
stewardship@grca.on.ca
905-885-8173
grca.on.ca

For inquiries about EAB management:
Northumberland County Forest
555 Courthouse Road
Cobourg, ON K9A 5J6
forest@northumberlandcounty.ca
905-372-3329
northumberland.ca



The program

The Emerald Ash Borer Replacement Tree Program allows Northumberland County residents to apply for tree saplings free-of-charge to plant within the County.

This program is designed to replace trees removed as part of the County's 10-year plan to eliminate hazardous trees.

Until 2028, Northumberland County will be removing ash trees over 10 centimeters in diameter along County roads in response to the invasive Emerald Ash Borer. For every one tree that is taken down, 10 trees will be planted, with 12,000 trees per year for five years subsidized for Northumberland County landowners.

This program is a partnership between Northumberland County and the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority.

Trees available

The program distributes bareroot transplant stock of the following species:

- White pine
- Red pine
- White spruce
- Tamarack
- Sugar maple
- Red maple
- Silver maple
- Red oak
- White oak

Trees range from 8 to 14" tall. Mulch mats are provided for free for all trees.

Successful applicants are responsible for picking up their trees at the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority in the spring.

Northumberland County and the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority do not take responsibility in the long-term care and maintenance of the trees planted under this program.

How many trees can I receive?

Minimum order: 10 or 25 trees
(depending on species)

Maximum order: 150 trees

What is the EAB?

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is an invasive species from Asia that has been spreading across Northumberland County since 2013.

The species is a boring insect that can attack and kill an ash tree within 2 years. Dead trees have the potential to fall over and cause damage or injury to our community.

Northumberland County created an EAB Management Plan in the Council-approved Forest Services Strategic Plan (2016-2020). The intent of this plan is to reduce the financial, environmental and public safety impacts associated with EAB by strategically managing ash trees on County roads and properties.



Emerald Ash Borers in an infected ash tree
Photo: Debbie Miller, USDA Forest Service, Bugwood.org