

Funding is available in 2026 to assist landowners in removing and replacing trees on private property affected by invasive species (e.g., Emerald Ash Borer) or damaged by extreme weather events (e.g., May 2022 derecho storm). Cost-share funding will support the removal of the infected or damaged tree(s) and replacement with a native tree(s).

Funding:

- Up to 50% to a maximum of \$500/tree (tree removal and planting of a replacement tree), maximum \$5,000/landowner
- Funding is allocated on a first-come, first-serve basis

Eligible Applicants:

- Landowners within the City of Ottawa
- Retro-active applications for work completed after May 21, 2022, if applicant meets all requirements

Project Details:

- An International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester (RPF) or equivalent must confirm the tree is infected with and invasive species or sustained damage following an extreme weather event
 - Find a Certified Arborist: www.treesaregood.org
 - Find a Registered Forester: www.opfa.ca
- Infected/damaged trees to be removed must be 10 cm in diameter or greater
- All work related to tree removal and replacement must be performed by a registered forestry professional. Removal and disposal of infected tree(s) should adhere to Canadian Food Inspection Agency regulations
- Tree stumps should be treated or ground to prevent regrowth of trees removed due to an invasive species
- Removed trees must be replaced with an equal number of native trees of either potted stock or caliper-sized suitable to Eastern Ontario
- Replacement trees must be planted on private property not on City of Ottawa road allowance
- Applicants are limited to one approved project per Program year

Applicant Responsibilities:

- Submit application prior to removing infected/damaged trees
- Ensure the project meets all legal requirements
- Future maintenance of the replacement trees
- Obtain locates for underground infrastructure prior to removing/planting trees
 - Ontario One Call: 1-800-400-2255 or www.on1call.com

Eligible Costs:

- Permits and approvals
- Purchased supplies and materials (e.g., tree, support stakes, mycorrhizal fertilizer)
- Contract labour and professional fees (e.g., Arborist, RFP, registered forestry professional, tree delivery)
 - Taxes are not eligible

To Apply:

- Contact South Nation Conservation (SNC) at 1-877-984-2948 or visit www.nation.on.ca/eab
- Submit a completed application form, including quotes for tree removal and replacement
- SNC will review your application and confirm if funding is approved

Approved Projects:

- Complete project and submit the following:
 - Invoices and proof of payment (e.g. cancelled cheque or invoiced stamped "paid" and signed by supplier)
 - Photo of replacement tree(s)
- SNC will issue grant payment once all required paperwork is submitted and approved