

EAB: Community Forestry Update

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Black Ash Forest Percentage of trees of Total Ash as a Percentage of Concentrations (2017 FI Total Trees Reported on 2010 Cords per Acre the Genus Fraxinus (Ash) Rapid Assessment (RA) Low to None (RA surveyed maintained areas) Inside of Municipal **Boundaries in 2010** And Black Ash Concentration in Cords per Acre 13 - 19 40.1% - 60% Seven-County Metro Area

Big Picture: Ash in Minnesota

- Nearly 1 billion ash trees
- 1-in-5 community forest trees are ash
 - Up to 60% ash in some communities
- EAB kill rate over 99%
 - Kills saplings down to 1" in diameter

Recent Community Support

2019

- General Fund \$700,000
- LCCMR \$300,000

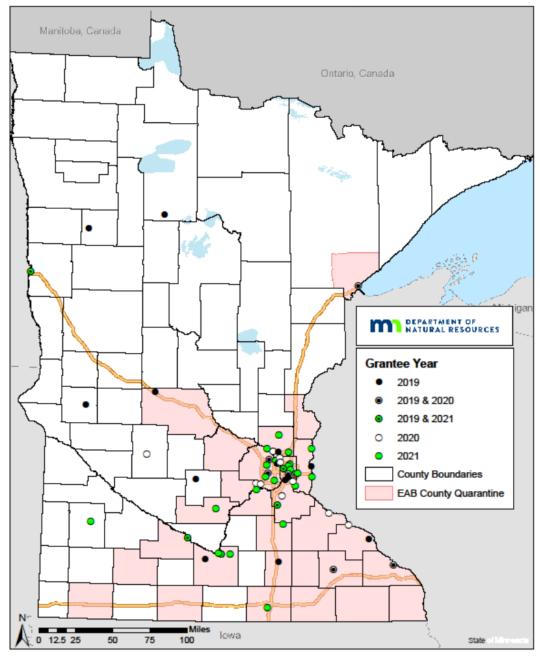
2020

Bonding \$1 million

2021

- General Fund + Heritage Enhancement
 \$1.7M
- LCCMR \$3.5 million: coming soon!

DNR Grants to Communities, 2019-2021



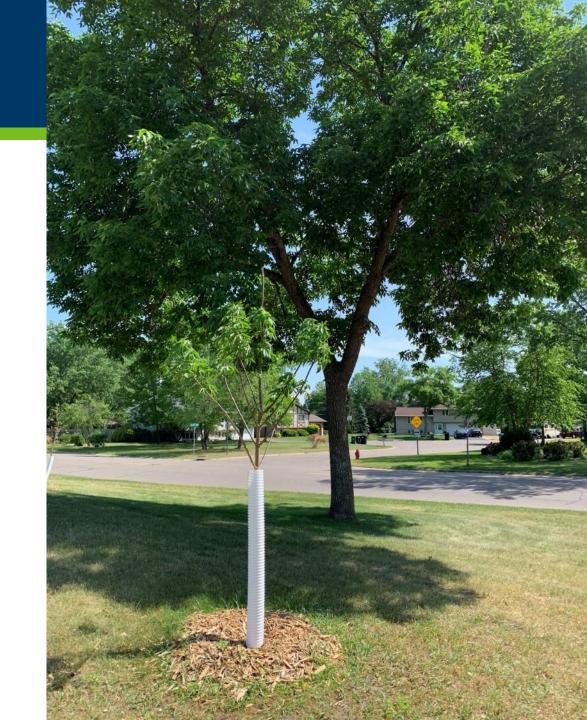
Accomplishments with Legislative Funding

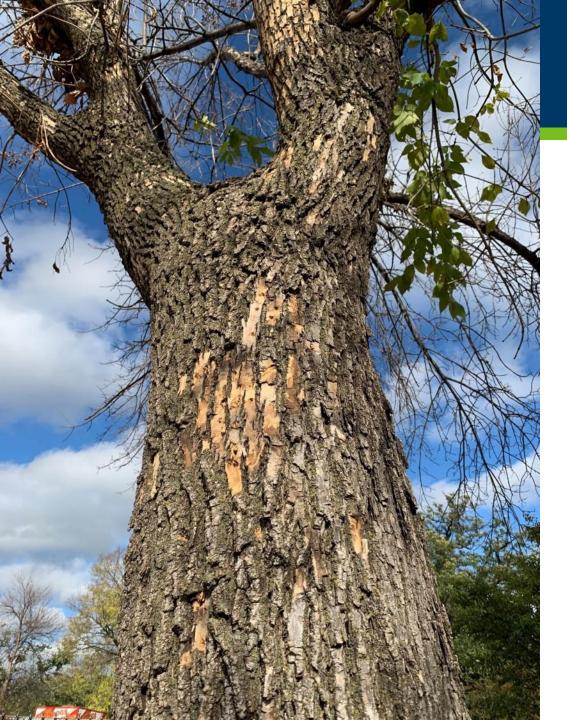


- New Public Tree Inventories and Ash Management Plans
- Newly-Planted Trees
- Communities Served

Community Forest Needs

- Inventories
- Management plans
- Treatments and ash removals
- Replanting trees for diversity
- Homeowner Assistance





Looking Ahead

Community assistance is critical

Lessons Learned

- Financial assistance helps communities, and Minnesota, slow the spread of EAB
- Spreading out the costs over time makes quality management feasible
- The biggest impacts from EAB are yet to come

