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Dear Property Owner and/or Resident,

The City of London is committed to maintaining a strong and healthy urban forest. Throughout the early months of 2012, City of London forestry crews were examining trees on streets and in parks to determine the extent of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) - a highly destructive insect which kills ash trees. Our investigations have determined that unfortunately many of the ash trees located in your neighbourhood have been infected.

This fall, the City's Forestry Operations will be removing the ash trees in your neighbourhood on City property - typically located on the boulevard between the sidewalk and street. Tree removals are scheduled to begin in early September. We recognize removing these trees will have an impact on the look and feel of your streetscape and plan to replant with different species of trees in the spring and fall of 2013, and as close as possible to the location where the ash trees are currently located.

You are invited to attend your choice of two information sessions to find out more about the removals on your street:

1. Date: **Wednesday, August 22, 2012**
Time: **9 a.m. – 12 p.m.**
Location: Canada Games Aquatic Centre – main floor meeting room
1045 Wonderland Road North
2. Date: **Tuesday, September 11, 2012**
Time: **9 a.m. – 12 p.m.**
Location: Canada Games Aquatic Centre – main floor meeting room
1045 Wonderland Road North

The City of London will not be removing any ash trees located on private property – this is the responsibility of the property owner.

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These meetings are an opportunity for you to meet our Urban Forestry staff, learn more about Emerald Ash Borer and what you can do to protect your ash trees, and ask about the City's long-term Emerald Ash Borer strategy.

We encourage you to review the Emerald Ash Borer information posted on our website at www.london.ca/eab. There, you will find more details about the infestation; learn how to identify an ash tree and detect if it is infected; and help determine whether it makes sense to save your ash trees or take them down.

If you have any questions, concerns, or would like clarification about this important initiative to keep London's urban forest protected and healthy, please call us at 519-661-2500 ext. 2339 or visit www.london.ca/eab.

Sincerely,

John Parsons
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