

## **Emerald Ash Borer: What to do???**

Emerald ash borer is a serious threat to our ash trees in Minnesota and Wisconsin. It was discovered in St. Paul in May of 2009 and has been spreading from the initial infestation center since then. While it appears that control measures implemented by quarantine regulations have been successful in slowing the spread, observations in other parts of the country tell us we can't stop it – we can only slow it down.

Opinions vary regarding insecticide treatments to protect valuable ash trees. We do have very reliable methods available to protect individual ash trees, and the choice of whether or not to treat a tree and which method to use for treatment are decisions we at St. Croix Tree Service can help you with. We are happy to visit your property, assess your trees, and help advise you on what to do – or if it is wise to do anything at all.

## Points to consider:

- Treatment should be reserved for trees of high value to you
- Trees should be healthy and viable long term to warrant treatment
- There are two primary methods for treating ash trees, and the decision of which to use should be guided by a Certified Arborist
- Treatment costs are generally a small fraction of removal and replacement costs
- Products available at retail to homeowners do not contain enough active ingredient to adequately protect trees.

Get the facts before you take action.

Call our Certified Arborists for help with your ash trees.

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