

## Bristol Town Administrator

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From our partners at the VT Urban & Community Forests Program

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The Vermont Urban & Community Forestry Program and local hosts in Essex and Montpelier will provide a day-long workshop with **Emmett Shutts, Regional Arborist Skills Trainer for Davey Tree Experts**, to learn more about the skills and safety standards needed to address ash trees infested with emerald ash borer. This workshop will include chainsaw technique demonstration in the field by the instructor; participants are expected to have knowledge of chainsaw use and tree removal techniques but will not be operating chainsaws during this workshop.

### Request

Can you please forward this event to public works employees, road foremen and crews, arborists, parks staff, and other municipal land managers in your community?

More information is available on **the attached poster** on our website at [vtcommunityforestry.org/ash](https://vtcommunityforestry.org/ash) .

### Workshop Date/Locations

This workshop is a single day event offered at two locations:

- September 8th, 8am – 3pm. Essex, VT. Register [here](#).
- September 9<sup>th</sup>, 8am – 3pm. Montpelier, VT. Register [here](#)

### Who Should Attend?

The event is free but requires registration. Municipal staff, parks employees, and others actively managing trees will be given priority; remaining space will be allocated to other municipal land managers or decision makers interested in learning more about the costs and effects of emerald ash borer on publicly managed ash trees.

### Objectives

The workshop will include a morning indoor discussion about ash tree identification, signs and symptoms of emerald ash borer, and the current status of EAB in Vermont. Outdoors, the group will:

- learn how to assess and plan for removal ash trees that are visibly infested or suspected to be infested with EAB, including establishment of escape routes and communication channels;
- review safety standards, best practices, and considerations for both ground crews and chainsaw operators; and
- assess individual trees on site and discuss best removal methods, including felling from the ground, hiring a climbing crew, or utilizing a bucket truck or crane for tree removal.

Please reach out to [joanne.garton@vermont.gov](mailto:joanne.garton@vermont.gov) with any questions about this opportunity.



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# MANAGING EAB INFESTED ASH:

One-Day Workshop for Municipal Staff and Arborists



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COMMUNITY  
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## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Municipal staff & arborists that actively manage trees

*Remaining space will be allocated to other land managers caring for public trees.*

## ABOUT THIS EVENT

Join the Vermont Urban & Community Forestry Program and local hosts to learn the skills and safety standards needed to address ash trees infested with emerald ash borer.

- Assess at-risk ash trees and plan for their safe removal.
- Review safety standards and best practices for chainsaw operators.
- Learn when to hire a climbing crew, bucket truck, or crane.

*This is a free event. Registration required.*



EMMETT SHUTTS  
Regional Skills Trainer  
Davey Tree Experts

LEARN MORE AND REGISTER: [vtcommunityforestry.org/ash](https://vtcommunityforestry.org/ash)