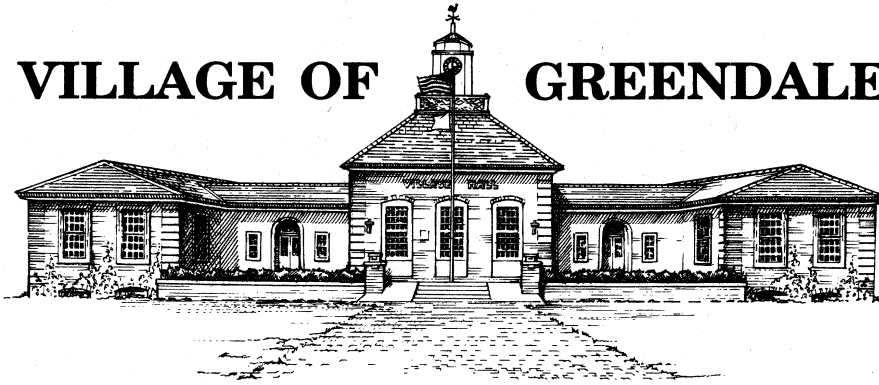




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PRESS RELEASE

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RE: Confirmation of Emerald Ash Borer in the Village of Greendale **RELEASE DATE:** Immediate

On February 12, 2013 the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture confirmed the presence of an Emerald Ash Bore Beetle on a tree within the Village of Greendale. The Village of Greendale will be working with the State Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection and the State Department of Natural Resources to determine the extent of the outbreak. In 2010 the Village counted approximately 1,300 ash trees located on its boulevards and right of ways.

In 2010 the Village implemented an Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan. Since 2010 the Department of Public Works has chemically treated approximately 500 ash trees on its boulevards and right of ways per year.

Public Works has also been removing approximately 100 ash trees annually and is replacing them with a diverse array of disease resistant tree species.

This plan gave the Village a head start on the emerald ash borer.

Since the beetle was discovered in Milwaukee County in 2009 the County has been under Quarantine. This Quarantine means that all fire wood and tree cutting/chipping material generated in Milwaukee County should not leave the County. Firewood should not be transported anywhere outside the County. So please do not pack up firewood of any kind and take it with you on your next camping trip or on the family vacation.

More information about the emerald ash borer and the Village's Emerald Ash borer Management Plan can be obtained on the Village's web site at <http://www.greendale.org/emerald-ash-borer.html> or at the Greendale Public Library or Greendale Village Hall.

Questions regarding this specific confirmation in the Village of Greendale can be directed to Robert Mcfaul, Director of Public Works at 414-423-2133 or rmcfaul@greendale.org.

Persons wanting additional information about this press release may contact: Robert Mcfaul, Director of Public Works at (414) 423-2133.

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