

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE May 13, 2022

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **City Forestry Task Force - Update**

The City Forestry Task Force has been notified of a possible detection of an Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), a non-native wood-boring insect destructive to ash trees, in Dallas County. The location of detection is not within the Dallas city limits. Staff is aware of the potential concern and will monitor traps in the area.

It will take about 7-14 days to confirm and be officially notified by Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS) of an EAB detection. The Task Force is finalizing an EAB Action Plan to address and mitigate any impact, should it be necessary. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

The public may visit the City's Forestry website at <https://bit.ly/3I7TCGS> to learn more about EAB.

Please contact me at 214-671-9735 with questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carl P. Simpson'.

Carl P. Simpson
Assistant City Manager

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