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The Southeast Michigan Resource Conservation and Development Council (RC&D Council), strives to help the people of Southeast Michigan take better care of their natural resources and better utilize the services of local, state, and federal agencies while improving their community's economy, environment, and quality of life.

This training program is one component of the RC&D Council's efforts to implement an *Ash Utilization Options Grant* from the USDA Forest Service Wood Education & Resource Center/Economic Action Program. With the support of this funding, the RC&D Council plans to address the emerald ash borer infestation in Southeast Michigan in a positive way. Through a series of demonstration projects, training sessions, and inventory efforts, the Council will show the potential benefits of processing the large quantities of woody material created by the EAB's devastation of local ash trees into a variety of value-added products. This project will ideally create an infrastructure to support future recycling of all urban wood waste in the region, thereby reducing the burden on local landfills, creating a new market for quality wood products, and supplying an additional source of revenue to Southeast Michigan.

The Council's efforts primarily target Lenawee, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, Washtenaw and Wayne Counties, and the City of Detroit.

For more information about RC&D's Ash Utilization Initiatives, please contact:

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**Two Days of Training Seminars for
Michigan's Urban Foresters & Other
Wood Industry Professionals**

These OSHA-certified classes feature two nationally acclaimed instructors & will cover all aspects of tree climbing & felling. Do not miss this opportunity to train your supervisors or crew!

**Timber Harvesting &
Chainsaw Safety**
September 11, 2006

&

Climbing Techniques
September 12, 2006

Where:
**University of Michigan
Matthaei Botanical Gardens**
1800 North Dixboro Road
Ann Arbor, MI

ABOUT THE WORKSHOPS:

The following is a partial list of items to be covered during this two-day event:

9/11 - Chainsaw Safety w/Ken Lallemond

8:00 am – Noon:

- Proper body mechanics
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Saw
- Reduced down time maintenance
- Proper sharpening
- Carburetor adjustment
- Bar & chain maintenance
- Tools necessary to aid in safe felling

Noon – 1:00 pm – Lunch (provided)

1:00pm – 5:00pm:

- Tree felling ---Hands on if time allows
- Felling information
- Executing the plan (felling the tree)
- Limbing, bucking and topping
- Techniques for releasing limbs & spring poles under tension
- Question & answer period

9/12 - Tree Climbing w/Lance Wallace

8:00 am – Noon:

- OSHA/ANSI regulations
- Muscle stretching & proper body mechanics
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Equipment necessary to ascend into a tree safely

Noon – 1:00 pm – Lunch (provided)

1:00pm – 5:00pm:

- Tree climbing
- Equipment in tree
- Hands-on participation
(Bring your safety gear for use & inspection)
- Question & answer period

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTORS:

The chainsaw safety training will be conducted by Ken Lallemond, an experienced logger with over 25 years experience. As a certified Safety Trainer, Ken has been training groups and individuals since 1992. He was privileged to work with and receive training from Soren Eriksson of Sweden, who established “The Game of Logging,” an internationally known safety training program.

Currently Ken works with loggers, landowners, arborists, college students, city groups, emergency medical technicians, and power companies. He adjusts each program as needed to meet the needs and experience levels of individuals and companies.

Through the years Ken has received numerous awards including first place from the American Pulpwood Association for Writing Technical Programs and National Recognition for “outstanding full-time work in safety training” from the American Pulpwood Association.

Lance Wallace (ISA Certification # WI-0392) will conduct the climbing training. Lance is president, owner, and an active climber for Wallace Tree and Landscaping in Milwaukee, WI. He is a certified arborist with over 13 years experience in arboriculture and is a graduate of “The Game of Logging.”

Lance has been an active participant, competitor and judge at numerous ISA tree-climbing conferences and competitions. For the past 7 years, Lance has volunteered his time training students at Milwaukee Area Technical College in the skills of climbing and chainsaw safety. For the past 2 years Lance has worked with John Ball conducting the climbing training available under this grant.

Please call or e-mail ASAP to register

Contact:

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Be sure to specify if you are attending:

- Tree felling & chainsaw safety - (9/11/06)
- Climbing - (9/12/06)
- Both sessions

There is a \$20 registration/lunch fee for EACH day of this training program.

Payments can either be handled by invoice (arranged in advance) or brought directly to the workshop.

There will be a 30-person class limit for each day of the workshop. Registration begins promptly at 7:30 am each day.

Register now to reserve your space!

Please note: This program is only a demonstration workshop and should not be confused with the four-level, hands-on, Game of Logging Certificate Program. This two-day event does, however, serve as an excellent refresher course for those who have already taken the GOL training or as a good introduction for those thinking of taking the full program at a later date. The full GOL program is tentatively scheduled to be held again in Southeast Michigan starting in December 2006. To be added to the mailing list for this event, please contact Jessica Simons at 734-761-6722 x 105.