



St. Lawrence County Soil and Water Conservation District  
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Landowners requesting to keep tree wood  
FROM: Alivia Bleau, Conservation District Manager  
RE: Homeowner requirements to keep tree wood cut within the County Highway bounds adjacent to your property  
DATE: Spring – Fall 2025

As you have requested to keep the tree wood cut as part of the County's removal of ash and hazard tree project. Please be advised that the contracted tree removal professionals will place the wood out of the county right-of-way and onto the nearest safe location to place the wood on your property. This wood will be left at random lengths for you to utilize. Wood will only be left if it has a diameter at breast height (dbh) of no less than 10" and is determined by either Soil and Water Conservation District staff or the hired tree removal professional to have value as firewood.

It is very important that you are aware of NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) regulations for the movement and handling of ash tree wood so that you do not contribute to the spread of emerald ash borer (EAB). NYSDEC's website regarding EAB can be found here: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7253.html>

The landowner shall hold and save St. Lawrence County and St. Lawrence County Soil and Water Conservation District its officers, agents and employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind, including costs, expenses, and attorney fees for, on account of any suits or damages sustained by any persons or property resulting in whole or in part from the negligent act or omission of the landowner or any employee, agent or representative of the landowner.

By signing this letter at the space below you are agreeing to the conditions of this letter.

Should you have any questions and/or concerns regarding this opportunity, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you.

Landowner Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

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Landowner Signature

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St. Lawrence County Soil & Water Conservation District

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