

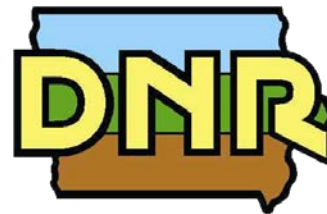
# Greene, IA



2016 Urban Forest Management Plan

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# Executive Summary

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## Overview

This plan was developed to assist the City of Greene with managing its urban forest, including budgeting and future planning. Trees can provide a multitude of benefits to the community, and sound management allows a community to best take advantage of these benefits. Management is especially important considering the serious threats posed by forest pests such as the emerald ash borer (EAB). EAB is an invasive insect imported from Eastern Asia on wood shipping crates that kills all species of ash trees (this does not include mountain ash). There is a strong possibility that 18.5% of Greene's city owned trees (ash) will die once EAB becomes established in the community, unless preventative treatment is used. With proper planning and management, the costs of removing dead and dying trees can be extended over years, mitigating public safety issues.

## Inventory and Results

In 2016, a tree inventory was conducted using Global Positioning System (GPS) data collectors. The inventory was a complete inventory of street and park trees. Below are some key findings of the 879 trees inventoried.

- Greene's trees provide \$166,933 of benefits annually, an average of \$190 a tree
- There are over 45 species of trees
- The top three genera are: Maple 45%, Ash 18.5%, and Hackberry 8.5%
- 57% of trees are in need of some type of management
- 165 trees are recommended for removal

## Recommendations

The core recommendations are detailed in the Recommendations Section. The Emerald Ash Borer Plan includes management recommendations as well. Below are some key recommendations.

- Of the 165 trees needing removal, 101 trees are over 24 inches in diameter at 4.5 ft. and must be addressed immediately [\\*City ownership of the trees recommended for removal should be verified prior to any removal\\*](#)
- 128 of the 163 ash trees should be carefully examined, as they have one or more symptoms that could be related to an EAB infestation
- All trees should be pruned on a routine schedule- one third of the city every other year
- Plant a diverse mix of trees that do not include: ash, maple, cottonwood, poplar, box elder, Chinese elm, evergreen, willow or black walnut
- Check ash trees with a visual survey yearly
- With the proposed budget it could take 18 years to remove ash – Suggestion: request a budget increase to \$11,000 annually and apply for grants to plant replacement trees

## Introduction

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This plan was developed to assist Greene with the management, budgeting and future planning of their urban forest. Across the state, forestry budgets continue to decrease with more and more of that money spent on tree removal. With the anticipated arrival of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), an invasive pest that kills native ash trees, it is time to prepare for the increased costs of tree removal and replacement planting. With proper planning and management of the current canopy in Greene, these costs can be extended over years and public safety issues from dead and dying ash trees mitigated.

Trees are an important component of Greene's infrastructure and one of the greatest assets to the community. The benefits of trees are immense. Trees provide the community with improved air quality, stormwater runoff interception, energy conservation, lower traffic speeds, increased property values, reduced crime, improved mental health and create a desirable place to live, to name just a few benefits. It is essential that these benefits be maintained for the people of Greene and future generations through good urban forestry management.

Good urban forestry management involves setting goals and developing management strategies to achieve these goals. An essential part of developing management strategies is a comprehensive public tree inventory. The inventory supplies information that will be used for maintenance, removal schedules, tree planting and budgeting. Basing actions on this information will help meet Greene's urban forestry goals.

## Inventory

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In 2016, a tree inventory was conducted that included 100% of the city owned trees on both streets and parks. The tree data was collected using a handheld Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver. The data collector gives Geographic Information Systems (GIS) coordinates with an accuracy of 3 meters, which can be used in Arc GIS as an active GIS data layer. Because the inventory is a digital document the data can be updated with new information and become a working document.

The programming used to collect tree information on the data collectors was written to be compatible with a state-of-the-art software suite called i-Tree. i-Tree was developed by the USDA Forest Service to quantify the structure of community trees and the environmental services that trees provide. The i-Tree suite is a public domain which can be accessed for free.

To quantify the urban forest structure and benefits, specific data is collected for each tree. This data includes: location, land use, species, diameter at 4.5 ft., recommended maintenance, priority of that maintenance, leaf health, and wood condition. Additionally, signs and symptoms associated with EAB were noted for all ash trees. The signs and symptoms noted were canopy dieback, epicormic shoots, bark splitting, D-shaped borer exit holes, and wood pecker damage.

## Inventory Results

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The data collected for the 879 city trees was entered into the USDA Forest service program Streets, part of the i-Tree suite. The following are results from the i-Tree STREETS analysis.

### **Annual Benefits**

#### **Annual Energy Benefits**

Trees conserve energy by shading buildings and blocking winds. Greene's trees reduce energy related costs by approximately \$46,130 annually (Appendix A, Table 1). These savings are both in Electricity (217.8 MWh) and in Natural Gas (30,201.9 Therms).

#### **Annual Stormwater Benefits**

Greene's trees intercept about 2,375,717 gallons of rainfall or snow melt a year (Appendix A, Table 2). This interception provides \$64,382 of benefits to the city.

#### **Annual Air Quality Benefits**

Air quality is a persistent public health issue in Iowa. The urban forest improves air quality by removing pollutants, lowering air temperature, and reducing energy consumption, which in turn reduces emissions from power plants, and emitting volatile organic matter (ozone). In Greene it is estimated that trees remove 2,898.2 lbs. of air pollution (ozone (O<sub>3</sub>), particulate matter less than 10 microns (PM<sub>10</sub>), carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), and sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)) per year with a net value of \$8,220 (Appendix A, Table 3).

#### **Annual Carbon Benefits**

Carbon sequestration and storage reduce the amount of carbon in the atmosphere, mitigating climate change. In Greene trees sequester about 432,498 lbs. of carbon a year with an associated value of \$3,244 (Appendix A, Table 4). In addition, the trees store 8,746,261 lbs. of carbon, with a yearly benefit of \$65,597 (Appendix A, Table 5).

#### **Annual Aesthetics Benefits**

Social benefits of trees are hard to capture. The analysis does have a calculation for this area that includes: aesthetic value, property values, lowered rates of mental illness and crime, city livability and much more. Greene receives \$42,550 in annual social benefits from trees (Appendix A, Table 6).

#### **Financial Summary of all Benefits**

According to the USDA Forest Service i-Tree analysis, Greene's trees provide \$166,933 of benefits annually. Benefits of individual trees vary based on size, species, health and location,

but on average each of the 879 trees in Greene provide approximately \$190 annually (Appendix A, Table 7).

## **Forest Structure**

### **Species Distribution**

Greene has over 45 different tree species along city streets and parks (Appendix A, Figure 1). The distribution of trees by genera is as follows:

Maple	395	45%
Ash	163	18.5%
Hackberry	75	8.5%
Apple (Crab)	64	7.3%
Linden/Basswood	27	3%
Spruce	26	2.9%
Locust	25	2.8%
Oak	18	2%
Walnut	14	1.6%
Cottonwood	13	1.5%
Others	59	6.7%

### **Age Class**

Most of Greene's trees (54%) are between 18 and 30 inches in diameter at 4.5 ft. (Appendix A, Figure 2). For age, it is preferred that the highest amounts of trees are in the smallest size category (a downward slope) to prepare for natural mortality and to maintain canopy cover. Greene's size curve is on the larger side, indicating an older than average stand.

### **Condition: Wood and Foliage**

Both wood condition and leaf condition are good indicators of the overall health of the urban forest. The foliage condition results for Greene indicate that 97% of the trees are in good health, with only 3% of the foliage in poor health, dead or dying (Appendix A, Figure 3 & Appendix B, Figure 3). Similarly, 82% of Greene's trees are in good health for wood condition (appendix A, Figure 4 & Appendix B, Figure 3). Wood condition that is in poor health, dead or dying is about 18% of the population. This 18% is an estimate of trees that need management follow up.

### **Management Needs**

The following outlines the specific management needs of the street and park trees by number of trees and percent of canopy (Appendix B, Figure 3).

Stake/Train	8	.9%
Crown Cleaning	190	21.6%
Crown Raising	23	2.6%
Tree Staking	13	2%

Tree Removal	165	19%
Crown Reduction	67	7.6%
Treat	48	5.5%

## Canopy Cover

The total canopy with both private and public trees is 21%, 63 acres. The canopy cover included in the Greene inventory includes approximately 25.19 acres (Appendix A, Figure 5).

## Land Use and Location

The majority of Greene's city and park trees are in planting strips in single family residential neighborhoods (Appendix A, Figure 6 & Appendix A, Figure 7). The following describes the land use and locations for the street and park trees.

### Land Use

Single family residential	71%
Park/vacant/other	21%
Industrial/Large commercial	.34%
Small commercial	7.17%
Multifamily residential	.34%

### Location

Planting strip	67.8%
Other maintained locations	21.05%
Cutout (surrounded by pavement)	1.14%
Front yard	10.01%

## Recommendations

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### Risk Management

Hazardous trees can be a significant threat to both people and property. Trees that are dead or dying, or that have large issues such as trunk cracks longer than 18 inches should be removed. Broken branches and branches that interfere with motorist's vision of pedestrians, vehicles, traffic signs and signals, etc. should be removed.

### Hazardous trees

Greene has 20 critical concern trees that need immediate removal. These trees can be seen on the Location of Trees with Recommended Maintenance map (Appendix B, Figure 4). It is recommended to start with the large diameter critical concern trees first. There are 19 trees over 18 inches in diameter at 4.5 ft. that should be addressed immediately. Please refer to the six year maintenance plan at the end of this section. After all of the critical concern trees are addressed, there should be follow up on the trees marked as needing immediate maintenance. There are a total of 44 trees with these needs.

### Poor tree species

After the removal of the critical concern trees, ash trees in poor health should be assessed for removal (Appendix B, Figure 3 & Appendix B, Figure 4). Of the 165 removals, 125 are ash trees. There are a total of 163 ash trees, and 128 of those have signs and symptoms that have been associated with EAB. In addition, there are 56 trees that are in poor health. *\*City ownership of the trees recommended for removal should be verified prior to any removal\**

### **Pruning Cycle**

Proper pruning can extend the life and good health of trees, as well as reduce public safety issues. In the Management Needs section of the Findings there are four main maintenance issues to be addressed: routine pruning, crown cleaning, crown raising, and crown reduction. Crown cleaning removes dead, diseased, and damaged limbs. Crown raising is the removal of lower branches that are 2 inches in diameter or larger in the case of providing clearance for pedestrians or vehicles. Crown reduction is removing individual limbs from structures or utility wires. It is recommended that all trees be pruned on a routine schedule every five to seven years. Please refer to the six year maintenance plan for further information.

### **Planting**

Most of the planting over the next 5 years will replace the trees that are removed. It is recommended to plant 1.2 trees for every tree removed, since survival rates will not be 100%. Please refer to the six year maintenance plan at the end of this section. It is not essential that the new trees be planted in the same location of the trees being removed. However, maintaining the same number of trees helps ensure continuation of the benefits of the existing forest in Greene.

It is important to plant a diverse mix of species in the urban forest to maintain canopy health, since most insects and diseases target a genus (ash) or species (green ash) of trees. Current diversity recommendations advise that a genus (i.e. maple, oak) not make up more than 20% of the urban forest and a single species (i.e. silver maple, sugar maple, white oak, bur oak) not make up more than 10% of the total urban forest. Presently, the forest is heavily planted with maple (45%) (Appendix A, Figure 1). Maples should not be planted until this percentage can be lowered. Also, ash trees have not been recommended since 2002, due to the threat of EAB. Other species to avoid because they are public nuisances include: cottonwood, poplar, box elder, Chinese elm, evergreen, willow or black walnut.

### **Continual Monitoring**

Due to the threat of EAB, it is important to continuously check the health of ash trees. It is recommended that ash trees be checked with a visual survey every year for tree decline and for the following signs and symptoms: canopy dieback, epicormic shoots, bark splitting, D-shaped borer exit holes, and wood pecker damage.



## **Six Year Maintenance Plan with No Additional Funding**

### **Year 1**

Removal: 9 largest critical concern trees  
Planting and Replacement: 11 trees to be planted in open locations  
Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance:  
Visual Survey for signs and symptoms of EAB

### **Year 2**

Removal: 9 critical concern trees  
\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal  
Planting and Replacement: 11 trees in open locations from year one removals  
Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance:  
Routine trimming: Contract to trim 1/3 of the city trees  
Visual Survey for signs and symptoms of EAB

### **Year 3**

Removal: 9 trees - removal of 2 critical concern trees and 7 ash in poor health  
\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal  
Planting and Replacement: 7 trees to be planted in open locations and locations from previous removals  
Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance:  
Visual Survey for signs and symptoms of EAB

### **Year 4**

Removal: 9 trees - removal of any new critical concern trees and ash in poor health  
\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal  
Planting and Replacement: 7 trees in open locations from previous removals  
Routine trimming: Contract to trim 1/3 of the city trees  
Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance:  
Visual Survey for signs and symptoms of EAB

### **Year 5**

Removal: 9 trees - removal of any new critical concern trees and ash in poor health  
\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal  
Planting and Replacement: 11 trees to be planted in open locations and locations from previous removals  
Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance:  
Visual Survey for signs and symptoms of EAB

### **Year 6**

Removal: 9 trees - removal of any new critical concern trees and ash in poor health  
\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal  
Planting and Replacement: 7 trees in open locations from previous removals  
Routine trimming: Contract to trim 1/3 of the city trees  
Young Tree Pruning & Maintenance:  
Visual Survey for signs and symptoms of EAB

\*Reduction of ash over 6 years: Approximately 30 to 35 ash trees removed (approximately 4% of ash). It will take approximately 18 years to remove all ash with the current budget. EAB could potentially kill all ash within 4 to 15 years of its arrival.

\*\* To remove all ash trees within 6 years, the budget would need to be increased to \$22,000 a year. If the budget were increased to \$11,000 a year all ash could be removed in 13 years.

## **Emerald Ash Borer Plan**

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### **Ash Tree Removal**

Tree removal will be prioritized with dead, dying, hazardous trees to be removed first (Appendix B, Figure 4). Next will be all ash in poor condition and displaying signs and symptoms of EAB (Appendix B, Figure 2 & Appendix B, Figure 3). *\*City ownership of the tree recommended for removal should be verified prior to any removal\**

### **Treatment of Ash Trees**

Chemical treatment can be effective tool for communities to spread removal costs out over several years while allowing trees to continue to provide benefits. However, treatment is not recommended if EAB is more than 15 miles away from the community. For more information on the cost of treatment strategies visit <http://extension.entm.purdue.edu/treecomputer/>

### **EAB Quarantines**

EAB is an extremely destructive plant pest and it is responsible for the death and decline of millions of ash trees. Ash in both forested and urban settings constitute a significant portion of the canopy cover in the United States. Current tools to detect, control, suppress and eradicate this pest are not as robust as the USDA would desire. In order to stay ahead of this hard to detect beetle, the USDA is attempting to contain the beetle before it spreads beyond its known positions by regulating articles.

A regulated article under the USDA's quarantine includes any of the following items:

- emerald ash borer
- firewood of all hardwood species (for example ash, oak, maple and hickory)
- nursery stock and green lumber of ash
- any other ash material, whether living, dead, cut or fallen, including logs, stumps, roots, branches, as well as composted and not composted chips of the genus ash (Mountain ash is not included)

In addition, any other article, product or means of conveyance not listed above may be designated as a regulated article if a USDA inspector determines that it presents a risk of spreading EAB once a quarantine is in effect for your county.

### **Wood Disposal**

A very important aspect of planning is determining how wood infested with EAB will be handled, keeping in mind that quarantines will restrict its movement. Consider who will cut

and haul the dead and dying trees? Is there an accessible, secured site big enough to store and sort the hundreds of trees and the associated brush and chips? How will wood be disposed of or utilized? Do you have equipment capable of handling the amount and size of ash trees your tree inventory has identified? Once your county is under quarantine for EAB, contact USDA-APHIS-PPQ at 515-251-4083 or visit the website [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant\\_health/plant\\_pest\\_info/emerald\\_ash\\_b/regulatory.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/emerald_ash_b/regulatory.shtml). Wood waste can be disposed of as you normally would if your county is not part of a quarantine.

### **Canopy Replacement**

As budget permits, all removed trees will be replaced. The new plantings will be a diverse mix and will not include ash, maple, cottonwood, poplar, box elder, Chinese elm, evergreen, willow or black walnut.

### **Postponed Work**

While finances, staffing and equipment are focused on the management of ash, usual services may be delayed. Tree removal requests on genera other than ash will be prioritized by hazardous or emergency situations only.

### **Monitoring**

It is recommended that ash trees be checked with a visual survey every year for tree death and for the following signs and symptoms: canopy dieback, epicormic shoots, bark splitting, D-shaped borer exit holes, and wood pecker damage.

### **Private Ash Trees**

It is strongly recommended that private property owners start removing or treating ash trees on their property upon arrival of EAB.

# Budget

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## Proposed Budget

**Total \$51,900 over 6 years (avg. \$8,650/year)**

### **FY 2017 Budget**

Removal: \$6,300

\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal

Planting: \$1100

Watering & Maintenance: \$500

### **FY 2018 Budget**

Removal: \$6,300

\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal

Planting: \$1100

Routine trimming: \$1,500

Watering & Maintenance: \$500

### **FY 2019 Budget**

Removal: \$6,300

\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal

Planting: \$1100

Watering & Maintenance: \$500

### **FY 2020 Budget**

Removal: \$6,300

\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal

Planting: \$1100

Routine trimming: \$1,500

Watering & Maintenance: \$500

### **FY 2021 Budget**

Removal: \$6,300

\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal

Planting: \$1100

Watering & Maintenance: \$500

### **FY 2022 Budget**

Removal: \$6,300

\*Or saving for ash tree treatment and/or future ash removal

Planting: \$1100

Routine trimming: \$1,500

Watering & Maintenance: \$500

\*Reduction of ash over 6 years: approximately 30 to 35 ash trees removed (approximately 4% of ash). **It will take approximately 18 years to remove all ash with the current budget.**

## Purposed Budget Increase

EAB could potentially kill all ash trees in Greene within 4 years of its arrival. To remove all ash trees within 6 years the budget would need to be increased to \$22,000 a year. If the budget

were increased to \$11,000 a year all ash could be removed within 13 years. Additionally, it is recommended that Greene apply for grants to fund replacement trees. Utility Company grants are usually between \$500 and \$10,000 for community-based, tree-planting projects that include parks, gateways, cemeteries, nature trails, libraries, nursing homes, and schools.

Another option being considered by many communities is treating a number of selected trees, either to maintain those trees in the landscape or to delay their removal – to spread out the costs and number of trees needing removed all at once. Trunk injection is administered every two years for the life of the tree. If treatment is discontinued, the tree dies. For instance, in this treatment scenario, the average ash diameter is 20 inches and at \$15 per inch, about 24 trees could be treated per year (every other year treatment). This would be 24 trees selected for treatment, and Greene would still need to find \$6,300 for removal. Alternatively, if all 48 treatable trees are treated the same year (and then every other year), it would cost approximately \$14,400 those years for treatment and leave nothing for removal. These are alternatives to straight removal of ash trees. However, whether or not the treatment option is selected, there will be an increased cost of dealing with ash trees if EAB is found in Greene. It is suggested to consider increasing the budget to plan for this.

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## Appendix A: i-Tree Data

**Table 1: Annual Energy Benefits**

Annual Energy Benefits of Public Trees by Species									
Species	Total Electricity (MWh)	Electricity (\$)	Total Natural Gas (Therms)	Natural Gas (\$)	Total (\$)	Standard Error	% of Total Trees	Total \$	Avg. \$/tree
Green ash	49.28	3,740.35	6,759.19	6,624.01	10,364.36	(N/A)	17.22	22.47	68.64
Norway maple	32.59	2,473.83	4,715.24	4,620.94	7,094.77	(N/A)	15.62	15.38	51.79
Black maple	32.52	2,468.05	4,492.04	4,402.20	6,870.25	(N/A)	13.34	14.89	58.72
Northern hackberry	26.14	1,984.01	3,727.15	3,652.61	5,636.62	(N/A)	8.44	12.22	76.17
Silver maple	19.73	1,497.69	2,593.74	2,541.86	4,039.55	(N/A)	8.44	8.76	54.59
Apple	5.16	391.28	787.25	771.51	1,162.79	(N/A)	7.30	2.52	18.17
Sugar maple	9.70	736.55	1,324.89	1,298.40	2,034.95	(N/A)	4.56	4.41	50.87
Honeylocust	6.07	460.55	804.01	787.93	1,248.48	(N/A)	2.85	2.71	49.94
Norway spruce	2.21	167.98	288.86	283.08	451.06	(N/A)	1.94	0.98	26.53
Black walnut	4.09	310.78	562.87	551.61	862.39	(N/A)	1.60	1.87	61.60
Littleleaf linden	1.72	130.85	234.56	229.87	360.72	(N/A)	1.60	0.78	25.77
Red maple	2.02	152.98	265.14	259.83	412.82	(N/A)	1.48	0.89	31.76
Eastern cottonwood	4.55	344.97	614.15	601.87	946.84	(N/A)	1.48	2.05	72.83
White ash	3.37	255.49	441.19	432.36	687.85	(N/A)	1.25	1.49	62.53
American basswood	3.68	279.34	527.92	517.36	796.70	(N/A)	1.25	1.73	72.43
Amur maple	0.42	32.18	66.14	64.82	97.00	(N/A)	0.91	0.21	12.12
Blue spruce	1.10	83.12	137.64	134.89	218.00	(N/A)	0.91	0.47	27.25
Northern red oak	0.63	48.11	82.80	81.14	129.25	(N/A)	0.80	0.28	18.46
Northern pin oak	1.21	91.48	180.16	176.55	268.03	(N/A)	0.57	0.58	53.61
Other City Trees	11.63	882.34	1,596.97	1,565.03	2,447.37	(N/A)	8.44	5.31	1,141.38
Total	217.81	16,531.95	30,201.90	29,597.86	46,129.81	(N/A)	100.00	100.00	52.60

**Table 2: Annual Stormwater Benefits**

Annual Stormwater Benefits of Public Trees by Species						
Species	Total Rainfall Interception (Gal)	Total (\$)	Standard Error	% of Total Trees	% of Total \$	Avg. \$/tree
Green ash	621,037.96	16,830.13	(N/A)	17.22	26.14	111.46
Norway maple	308,553.20	8,361.79	(N/A)	15.62	12.99	61.03
Black maple	315,307.89	8,544.84	(N/A)	13.34	13.27	73.03
Northern hackberry	258,424.48	7,003.30	(N/A)	8.44	10.88	94.64
Silver maple	270,669.65	7,335.15	(N/A)	8.44	11.39	99.12
Apple	20,137.36	545.72	(N/A)	7.30	0.85	8.53
Sugar maple	100,404.13	2,720.95	(N/A)	4.56	4.23	68.02
Honeylocust	64,101.98	1,737.16	(N/A)	2.85	2.70	69.49
Norway spruce	39,473.27	1,069.73	(N/A)	1.94	1.66	62.93
Black walnut	44,499.04	1,205.92	(N/A)	1.60	1.87	86.14
Littleleaf linden	14,482.70	392.48	(N/A)	1.60	0.61	28.03
Red maple	13,183.16	357.26	(N/A)	1.48	0.55	27.48
Eastern cottonwood	60,307.20	1,634.33	(N/A)	1.48	2.54	125.72
White ash	37,497.16	1,016.17	(N/A)	1.25	1.58	92.38
American basswood	46,615.61	1,263.28	(N/A)	1.25	1.96	114.84
Amur maple	1,477.59	40.04	(N/A)	0.91	0.06	5.01
Blue spruce	15,115.08	409.62	(N/A)	0.91	0.64	51.20
Northern red oak	3,649.40	98.90	(N/A)	0.80	0.15	14.13
Northern pin oak	12,649.96	342.81	(N/A)	0.57	0.53	68.56
Other City Trees	110,216.28	2,986.86	(N/A)	6.84	4.64	1,523.47
Citywide total	2,375,716.99	64,381.93	(N/A)	100.00	100.00	73.41

**Table 3: Annual Air Quality Benefits**

Annual Air Quality Benefits of Public Trees by Species																
Species	Deposition O3 (lb)	Deposition NO2 (lb)	Deposition PM10 (lb)	Deposition SO2 (lb)	Total Deposition (\$)	Avoided NO2 (lb)	Avoided PM10 (lb)	Avoided VOC (lb)	Avoided SO2 (lb)	Total Avoided (\$)	BVOC Emissions (lb)	BVOC Emissions (\$)	Total (lb)	Total (\$)	Stand. Error	Avg. \$/tree
Green ash	87.81	14.05	40.41	3.93	463.06	235.43	34.27	32.67	223.33	1,466.22	0.00	0.00	671.89	1,929.28	(N/A)	17.22
Norway maple	63.43	10.94	31.12	2.81	342.58	158.16	22.85	21.75	147.88	979.34	- 14.83	- 55.62	444.11	1,266.29	(N/A)	15.62
Black maple	81.11	13.83	37.23	3.59	430.21	155.40	22.61	21.55	147.28	967.44	- 26.46	- 99.22	456.13	1,298.44	(N/A)	13.34
Northern hackberry	42.09	7.28	21.26	1.88	229.14	126.34	18.29	17.41	118.55	783.43	0.00	0.00	353.10	1,012.58	(N/A)	8.44
Silver maple	46.03	7.80	22.75	2.04	248.61	93.01	13.62	13.00	89.28	581.99	- 24.63	- 92.37	262.90	738.23	(N/A)	8.44
Apple	5.43	0.89	2.66	0.25	29.19	25.33	3.64	3.45	23.36	156.00	- 0.03	- 0.11	64.98	185.08	(N/A)	7.30
Sugar maple	12.64	2.15	6.44	0.56	68.87	46.24	6.74	6.42	43.95	288.22	- 10.02	- 37.58	115.13	319.50	(N/A)	4.56
Honeylocust	12.30	2.03	5.65	0.56	65.04	28.67	4.19	4.00	27.47	179.24	- 9.54	- 35.79	75.32	208.49	(N/A)	2.85
Norway spruce	4.55	0.90	3.75	0.56	30.00	10.41	1.53	1.46	10.02	65.23	- 18.60	- 69.73	14.58	25.50	(N/A)	1.94
Black walnut	5.36	0.86	2.59	0.24	28.61	19.57	2.85	2.72	18.56	121.87	0.00	0.00	52.74	150.48	(N/A)	1.60
Littleleaf linden	2.23	0.38	1.15	0.10	12.19	8.23	1.20	1.14	7.83	51.32	- 1.12	- 4.21	21.14	59.31	(N/A)	1.60
Red maple	2.51	0.43	1.25	0.11	13.60	9.52	1.39	1.33	9.13	59.54	- 0.93	- 3.50	24.74	69.64	(N/A)	1.48
Eastern cottonwood	11.35	1.81	5.05	0.51	59.34	21.63	3.15	3.01	20.59	134.91	0.00	0.00	67.11	194.26	(N/A)	1.48
White ash	5.75	0.92	2.71	0.26	30.49	15.87	2.32	2.22	15.24	99.32	0.00	0.00	45.29	129.82	(N/A)	1.25
American basswood	6.84	1.16	3.27	0.30	36.63	17.82	2.58	2.45	16.70	110.42	- 5.66	- 21.24	45.45	125.81	(N/A)	1.25
Amur maple	0.31	0.05	0.17	0.01	1.73	2.09	0.30	0.28	1.92	12.87	0.00	- 0.01	5.15	14.60	(N/A)	0.91
Blue spruce	2.22	0.44	1.81	0.27	14.59	5.10	0.75	0.72	4.96	32.09	- 5.60	- 21.02	10.67	25.66	(N/A)	0.91
Northern red oak	0.57	0.10	0.31	0.03	3.17	2.99	0.44	0.42	2.87	18.70	- 0.79	- 2.96	6.93	18.92	(N/A)	0.80
Northern pin oak	2.72	0.47	1.32	0.12	14.63	5.90	0.85	0.81	5.47	36.41	- 0.62	- 2.34	17.02	48.69	(N/A)	0.57
Other City Trees	17.26	2.90	8.98	0.97	94.83	46.82	6.81	6.49	44.30	291.31	- 11.85	- 44.44	122.68	341.70	(N/A)	6.84
Citywide Total	414.64	69.78	201.32	19.28	2,229.42	1,043.23	151.64	144.52	987.03	6,490.30	- 133.29	- 499.83	2,898.16	8,219.89	(N/A)	100.00

**Table 4: Annual Carbon Stored**

Stored CO2 Benefits of Public Trees by Species						
Species	Total stored CO2 (lbs)	Total (\$)	Standard Error	% of Total Trees	% of Total \$	Avg. \$/tree
Green ash	2,908,015.15	21,810.11	(N/A)	17.22	33.25	144.44
Norway maple	1,045,355.37	7,840.17	(N/A)	15.62	11.95	57.23
Black maple	863,173.53	6,473.80	(N/A)	13.34	9.87	55.33
Northern hackberry	640,840.05	4,806.30	(N/A)	8.44	7.33	64.95
Silver maple	1,066,216.68	7,996.63	(N/A)	8.44	12.19	108.06
Apple	88,428.36	663.21	(N/A)	7.30	1.01	10.36
Sugar maple	358,690.76	2,690.18	(N/A)	4.56	4.10	67.25
Honeylocust	158,553.94	1,189.15	(N/A)	2.85	1.81	47.57
Norway spruce	45,001.05	337.51	(N/A)	1.94	0.51	19.85
Black walnut	174,281.55	1,307.11	(N/A)	1.60	1.99	93.37
Littleleaf linden	49,180.70	368.86	(N/A)	1.60	0.56	26.35
Red maple	29,281.24	219.61	(N/A)	1.48	0.33	16.89
Eastern cottonwood	394,879.53	2,961.60	(N/A)	1.48	4.51	227.82
White ash	105,517.97	791.38	(N/A)	1.25	1.21	71.94
American basswood	254,945.49	1,912.09	(N/A)	1.25	2.91	173.83
Amur maple	5,577.92	41.83	(N/A)	0.91	0.06	5.23
Blue spruce	16,496.35	123.72	(N/A)	0.91	0.19	15.47
Northern red oak	9,450.97	70.88	(N/A)	0.80	0.11	10.13
Northern pin oak	44,669.33	335.02	(N/A)	0.57	0.51	67.00
Other City Trees	487,704.86	3,657.79		8.44	5.58	1,688.13
Citywide total	8,746,260.81	65,596.96	(N/A)	100.00	100.00	74.80

**Table 5: Annual Carbon Sequestered**

<b>Annual CO2 Benefits of Public Trees by Species</b>													
Species	Sequestered (lb)	Sequestered (\$)	Decomposition Release (lb)	Maintenance Release (lb)	Total Release (\$)	Avoided (lb)	Avoided (\$)	Net Total (lb)	Total (\$)	Standard Error	% of Total Trees	% of Total \$	Avg. \$/tree
Green ash	112,685.46	845.14	- 13,958.51	- 532.16	- 108.68	82,660.75	619.96	180,855.54	1,356.42	(N/A)	17.22	24.00	8.98
Norway maple	45,154.14	338.66	- 5,024.21	- 343.79	- 40.26	54,670.97	410.03	94,457.11	708.43	(N/A)	15.62	12.54	5.17
Black maple	39,242.89	294.32	- 4,143.23	- 306.35	- 33.37	54,543.32	409.07	89,336.64	670.02	(N/A)	13.34	11.86	5.73
Northern hackberry	33,820.69	253.66	- 3,076.47	- 249.21	- 24.94	43,846.18	328.85	74,341.18	557.56	(N/A)	8.44	9.87	7.53
Silver maple	80,166.90	601.25	- 5,122.47	- 217.23	- 40.05	33,098.57	248.24	107,925.77	809.44	(N/A)	8.44	14.32	10.94
Apple	8,519.43	63.90	- 424.72	- 73.13	- 3.73	8,647.21	64.85	16,668.79	125.02	(N/A)	7.30	2.21	1.95
Sugar maple	20,678.97	155.09	- 1,723.17	- 103.94	- 13.70	16,277.65	122.08	35,129.51	263.47	(N/A)	4.56	4.66	6.59
Honeylocust	17,296.66	129.72	- 765.04	- 48.56	- 6.10	10,178.13	76.34	26,661.19	199.96	(N/A)	2.85	3.54	8.00
Norway spruce	2,559.35	19.20	- 216.01	- 39.39	- 1.92	3,712.29	27.84	6,016.25	45.12	(N/A)	1.94	0.80	2.65
Black walnut	9,736.49	73.02	- 836.55	- 42.12	- 6.59	6,868.05	51.51	15,725.86	117.94	(N/A)	1.60	2.09	8.42
Littleleaf linden	4,182.31	31.37	- 236.78	- 21.45	- 1.94	2,891.80	21.69	6,815.87	51.12	(N/A)	1.60	0.90	3.65
Red maple	2,965.94	22.24	- 140.60	- 18.33	- 1.19	3,380.92	25.36	6,187.92	46.41	(N/A)	1.48	0.82	3.57
Eastern cottonwood	6,983.61	52.38	- 1,895.42	- 52.65	- 14.61	7,623.80	57.18	12,659.34	94.95	(N/A)	1.48	1.68	7.30
White ash	9,635.44	72.27	- 506.49	- 29.25	- 4.02	5,646.28	42.35	14,745.99	110.59	(N/A)	1.25	1.96	10.05
American basswood	14,042.26	105.32	- 1,223.74	- 44.07	- 9.51	6,173.38	46.30	18,947.83	142.11	(N/A)	1.25	2.51	12.92
Amur maple	655.83	4.92	- 26.82	- 6.83	- 0.25	711.17	5.33	1,333.36	10.00	(N/A)	0.91	0.18	1.25
Blue spruce	921.30	6.91	- 79.18	- 18.72	- 0.73	1,836.84	13.78	2,660.24	19.95	(N/A)	0.91	0.35	2.49
Northern red oak	922.28	6.92	- 45.44	- 7.22	- 0.39	1,063.19	7.97	1,932.81	14.50	(N/A)	0.80	0.26	2.07
Northern pin oak	1,405.49	10.54	- 215.11	- 13.85	- 1.72	2,021.74	15.16	3,198.27	23.99	(N/A)	0.57	0.42	4.80
Other City Trees	20,922.85	156.92	- 2,341.51	- 144.11	- 18.64	19,499.48	146.25	37,936.71	284.53	(N/A)	8.44	5.03	127.75
Citywide Total	432,498.27	3,243.74	- 42,001.49	- 2,312.33	- 332.35	365,351.73	2,740.14	753,536.18	5,651.52	(N/A)	100.00	100.00	6.44

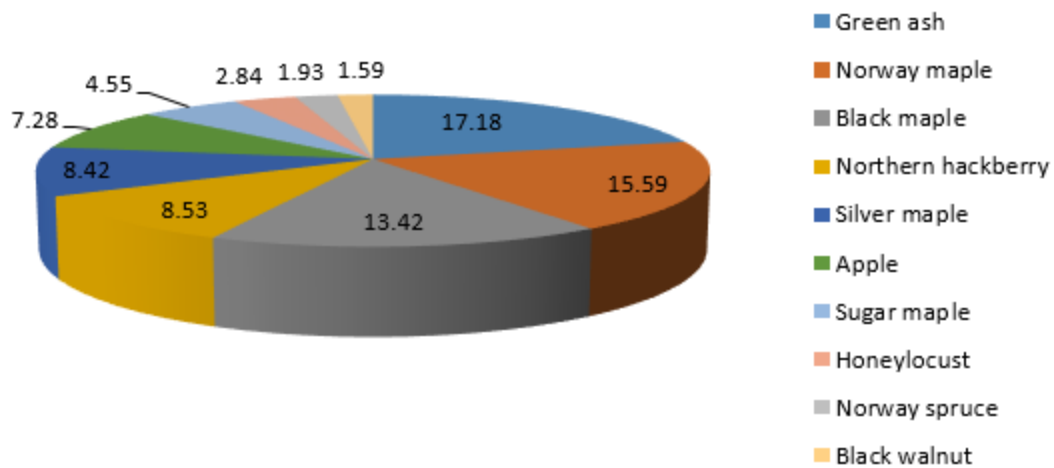
**Table 6: Annual Social and Aesthetic Benefits**

<b>Annual Aesthetic/Other Benefit of Public Trees by Species</b>					
Species	Total (\$)	Stand. Error	% of Total Trees	% of Total \$	Avg. \$/tree
Green ash	8,626.42	(N/A)	17.22	20.27	57.13
Norway maple	4,289.20	(N/A)	15.62	10.08	31.31
Black maple	4,754.65	(N/A)	13.34	11.17	40.64
Northern hackberry	4,399.69	(N/A)	8.44	10.34	59.46
Silver maple	6,432.11	(N/A)	8.44	15.12	86.92
Apple	487.93	(N/A)	7.30	1.15	7.62
Sugar maple	2,211.15	(N/A)	4.56	5.20	55.28
Honeylocust	4,211.33	(N/A)	2.85	9.90	168.45
Norway spruce	589.92	(N/A)	1.94	1.39	34.70
Black walnut	805.40	(N/A)	1.60	1.89	57.53
Littleleaf linden	469.93	(N/A)	1.60	1.10	33.57
Red maple	449.90	(N/A)	1.48	1.06	34.61
Eastern cottonwood	532.78	(N/A)	1.48	1.25	40.98
White ash	1,074.66	(N/A)	1.25	2.53	97.70
American basswood	950.48	(N/A)	1.25	2.23	86.41
Amur maple	36.55	(N/A)	0.91	0.09	4.57
Blue spruce	176.98	(N/A)	0.91	0.42	22.12
Northern red oak	90.94	(N/A)	0.80	0.21	12.99
Northern pin oak	130.45	(N/A)	0.57	0.31	26.09
Other City Trees	1,829.71	(N/A)	8.44	4.30	810.03
Citywide Total	42,550.19	(N/A)	100.00	100.00	48.52



**Table 7: Summary of Benefits in Dollars**

<b>Average Annual Benefits of Public Trees by Species (\$/tree)</b>							
Species	Energy	CO2	Air Quality	Stormwater	Aesthetic/Other	Total	Stand. Error
Green ash	68.64	8.98	12.78	111.46	57.13	258.98	(N/A)
Norway maple	51.79	5.17	9.24	61.03	31.31	158.54	(N/A)
Black maple	58.72	5.73	11.10	73.03	40.64	189.22	(N/A)
Northern hackberry	76.17	7.53	13.68	94.64	59.46	251.48	(N/A)
Silver maple	54.59	10.94	9.98	99.12	86.92	261.55	(N/A)
Apple	18.17	1.95	2.89	8.53	7.62	39.16	(N/A)
Sugar maple	50.87	6.59	7.99	68.02	55.28	188.75	(N/A)
Honeylocust	49.94	8.00	8.34	69.49	168.45	304.22	(N/A)
Norway spruce	26.53	2.65	1.50	62.93	34.70	128.31	(N/A)
Black walnut	61.60	8.42	10.75	86.14	57.53	224.44	(N/A)
Littleleaf linden	25.77	3.65	4.24	28.03	33.57	95.25	(N/A)
Red maple	31.76	3.57	5.36	27.48	34.61	102.77	(N/A)
Eastern cottonwood	72.83	7.30	14.94	125.72	40.98	261.78	(N/A)
White ash	62.53	10.05	11.80	92.38	97.70	274.46	(N/A)
American basswood	72.43	12.92	11.44	114.84	86.41	298.03	(N/A)
Amur maple	12.12	1.25	1.82	5.01	4.57	24.77	(N/A)
Blue spruce	27.25	2.49	3.21	51.20	22.12	106.28	(N/A)
Northern red oak	18.46	2.07	2.70	14.13	12.99	50.36	(N/A)
Northern pin oak	53.61	4.80	9.74	68.56	26.09	162.80	(N/A)
Other City Trees	1,141.38	127.75	184.67	1,630.52	810.03	3,894.35	(N/A)
Citywide Total	52.60	6.44	9.37	73.41	48.52	190.35	(N/A)

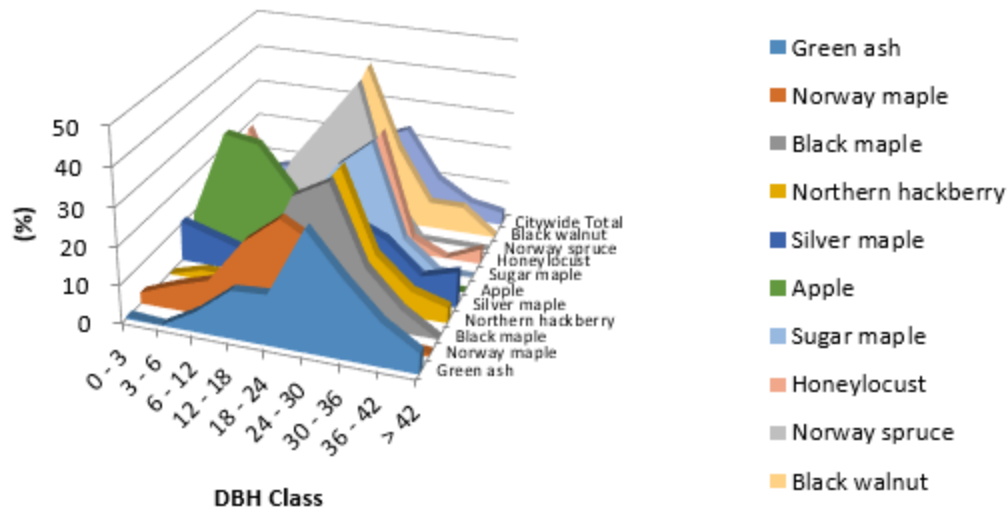


**Species Distribution of Public Trees**

Species	Percent
Green ash	17.18
Norway maple	15.59
Black maple	13.42
Northern hackberry	8.53
Silver maple	8.42
Apple	7.28
Sugar maple	4.55
Honeylocust	2.84
Norway spruce	1.93
Black walnut	1.59
Other Species	18.66

**Figure 1: Species Distribution**

## Relative Age Distribution of Top 10 Public Tree Species (%)



Relative Age Distribution of Top 10 Public Tree Species (%)									
Species	0 - 3	3 - 6	6 - 12	12 - 18	18 - 24	24 - 30	30 - 36	36 - 42	> 42
Green ash	0.66	0.00	5.30	12.58	13.25	31.13	20.53	11.26	5.30
Norway maple	2.92	6.57	9.49	21.17	28.47	23.36	5.84	1.46	0.73
Black maple	0.00	0.85	0.85	10.17	30.51	35.59	15.25	5.93	0.00
Northern hackberry	0.00	2.67	2.67	8.00	24.00	36.00	14.67	6.67	4.00
Silver maple	10.81	8.11	5.41	12.16	13.51	18.92	14.86	6.76	9.46
Apple	9.38	32.81	31.25	20.31	6.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sugar maple	2.50	5.00	15.00	12.50	25.00	32.50	7.50	0.00	0.00
Honeylocust	0.00	28.00	8.00	8.00	16.00	32.00	4.00	0.00	4.00
Norway spruce	0.00	0.00	17.65	29.41	41.18	11.76	0.00	0.00	0.00
Black walnut	0.00	0.00	0.00	21.43	42.86	21.43	7.14	7.14	0.00
Citywide Total	4.66	7.85	9.56	15.24	19.80	23.55	10.58	5.12	3.41

Figure 2: Relative Age Class

% Functional (Foliage) Condition of Public Trees

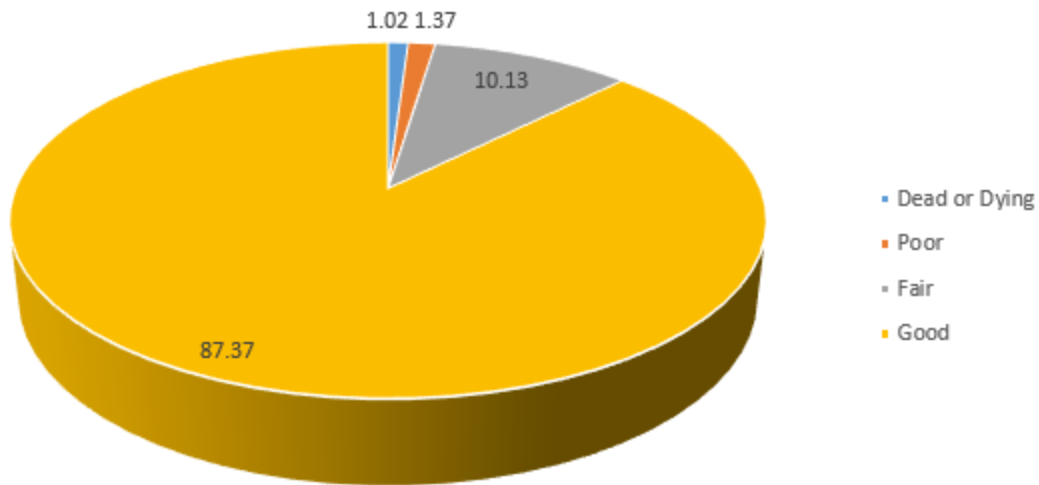


Figure 3: Foliage Condition

% Functional (Woody) Condition of Public Trees

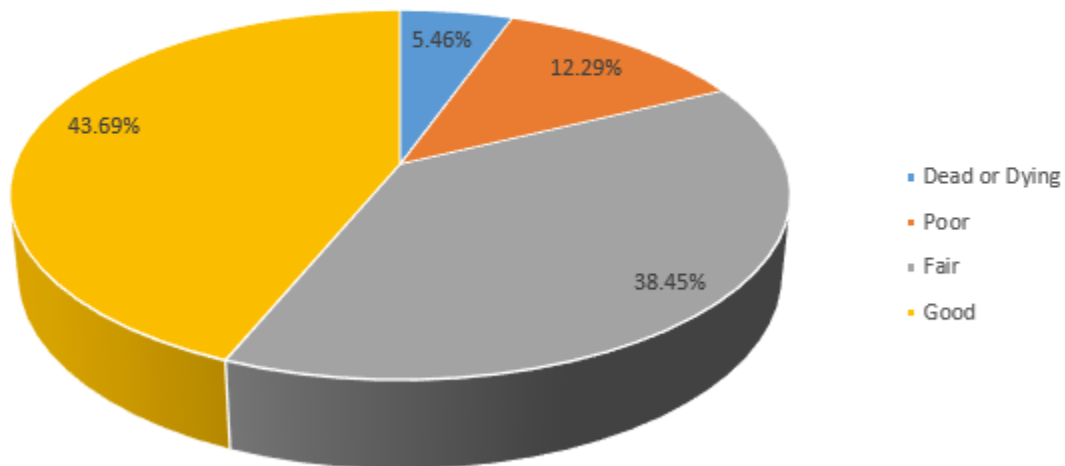
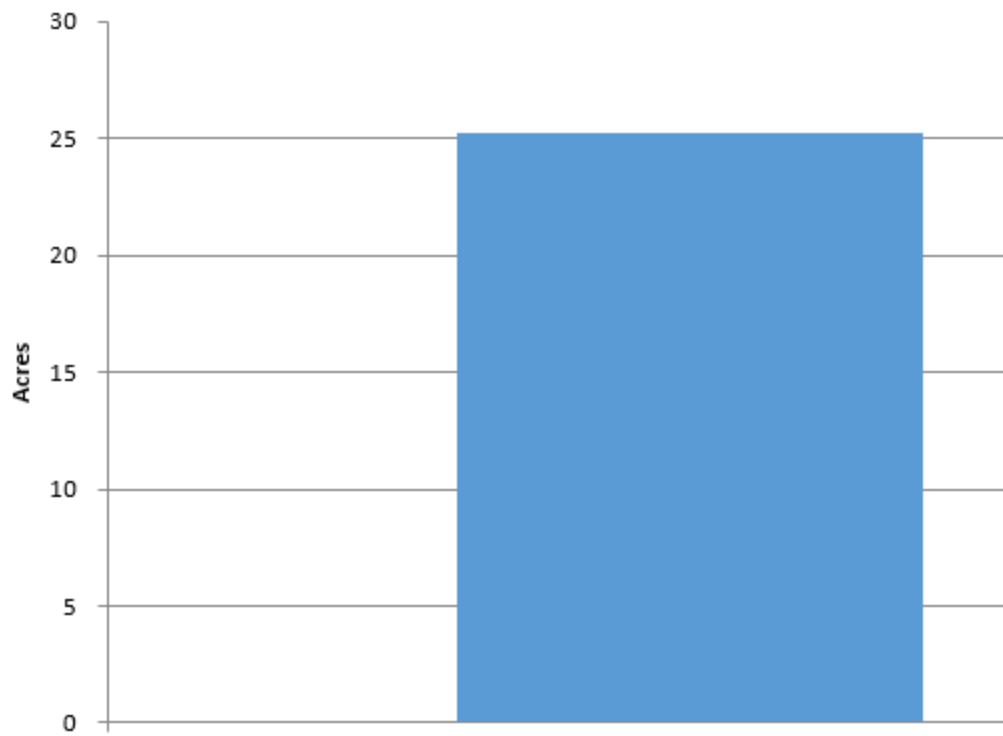


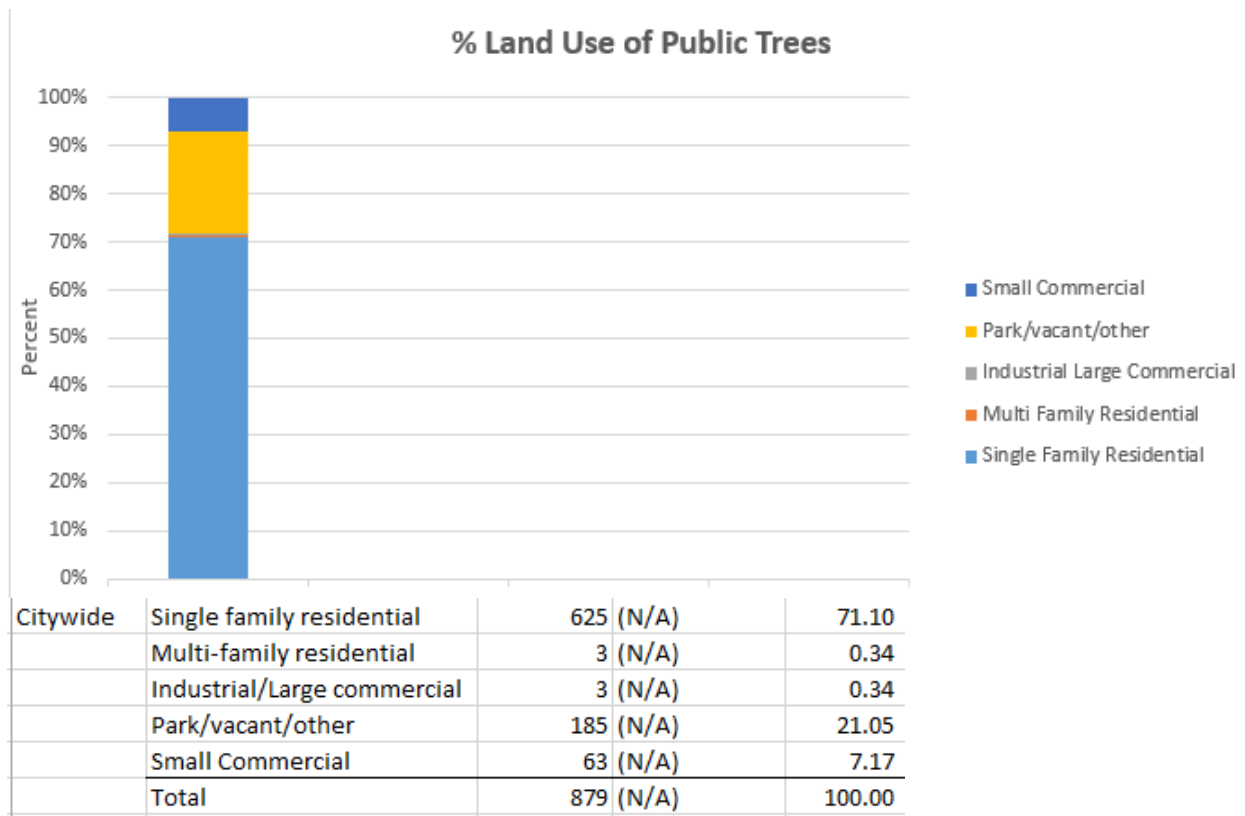
Figure 4: Wood Condition

## Canopy Cover of Public Trees (Acres)

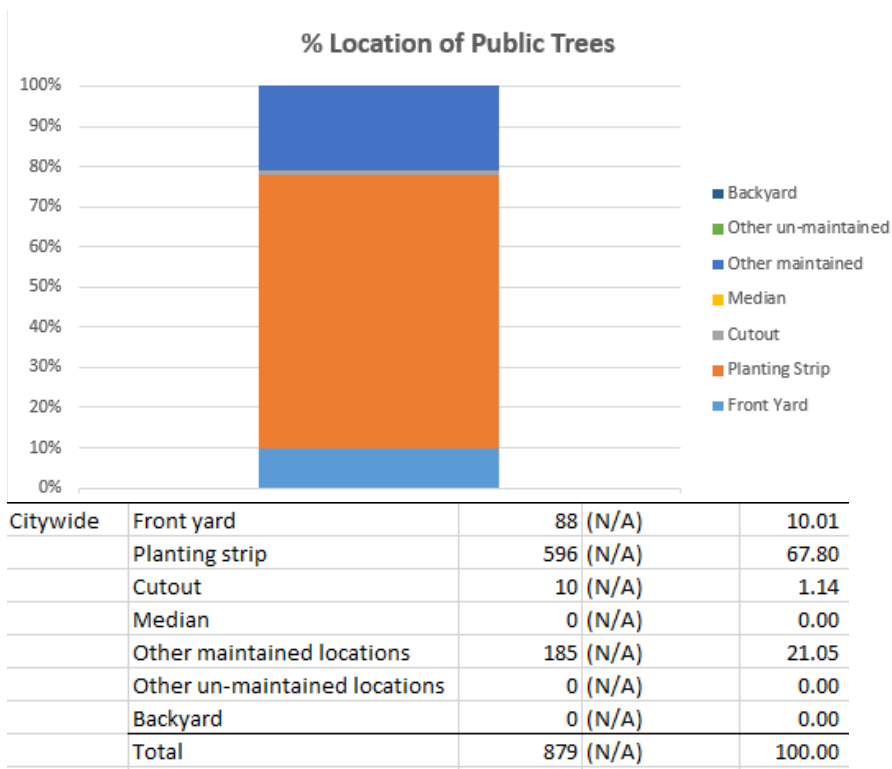


Canopy Cover of Public Trees (Acres)		
Zone	Acres	% of Total Canopy
1	25.19	100.00
Citywide Total	25.19	100.00

Figure 5: Canopy Cover in Acres



**Figure 6: Land Use of city/park trees**



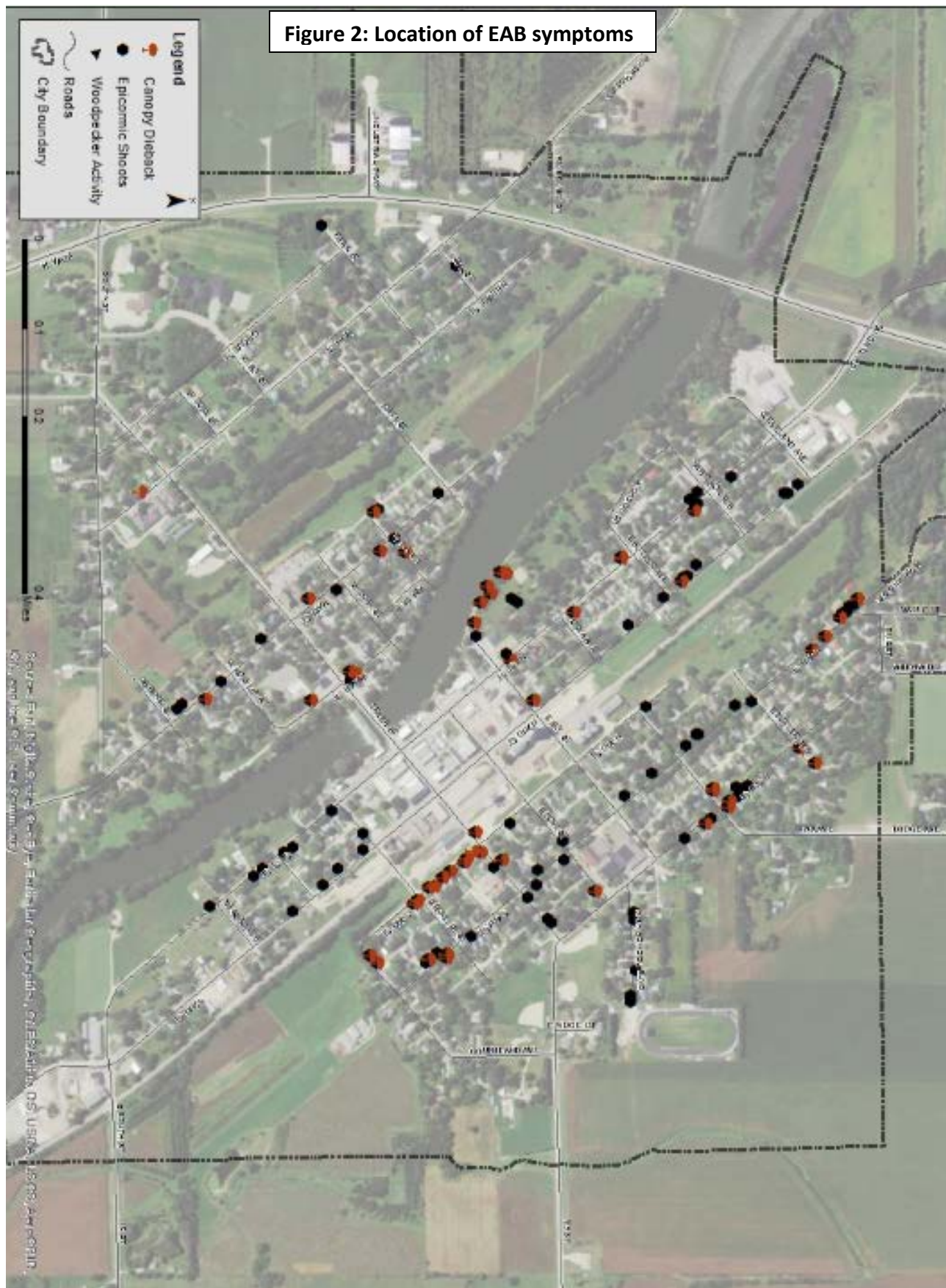
**Figure 7: Location of city/park trees**

## Appendix B: ArcGIS Mapping

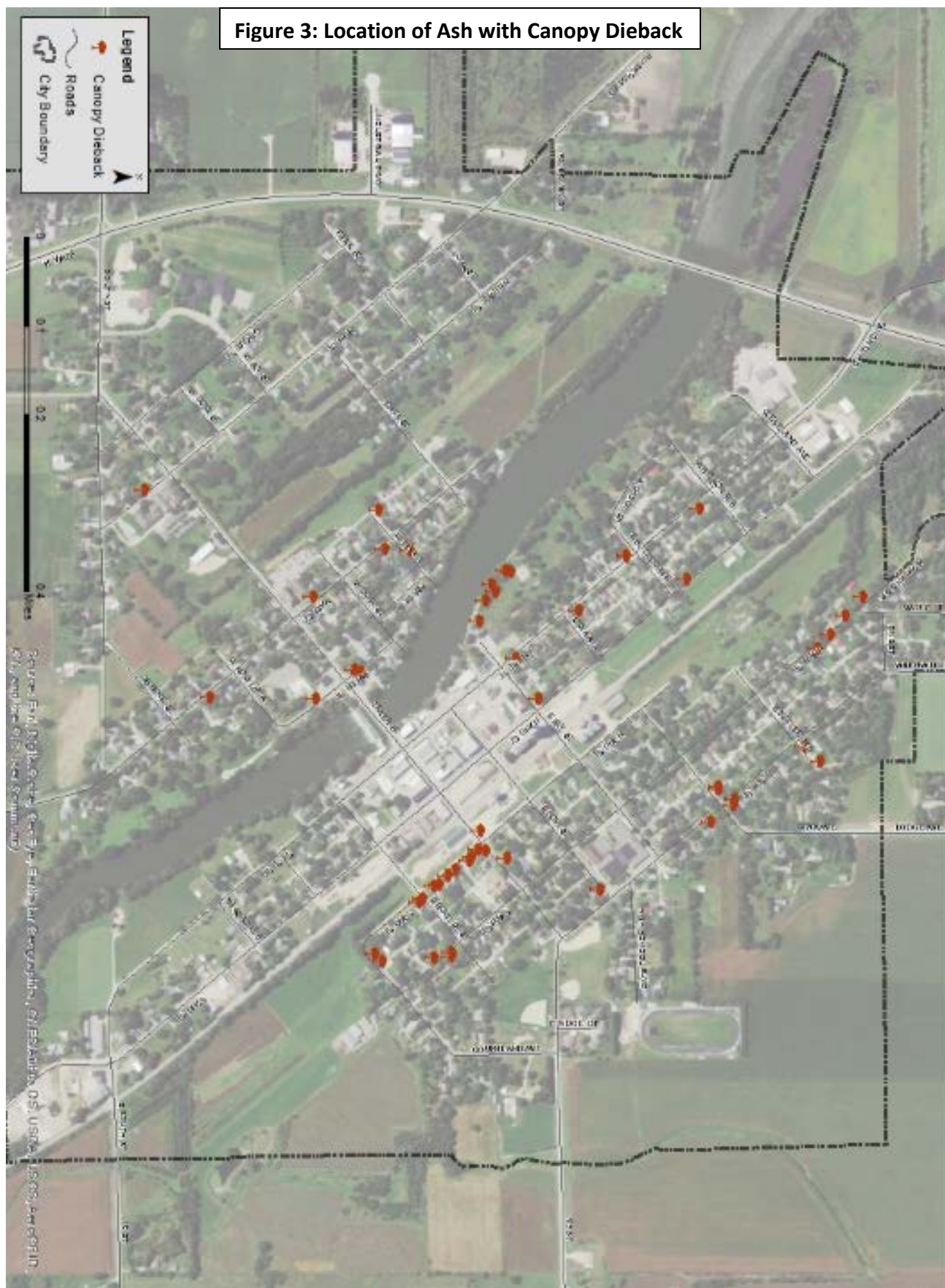


Figure 1: Location of Ash Trees

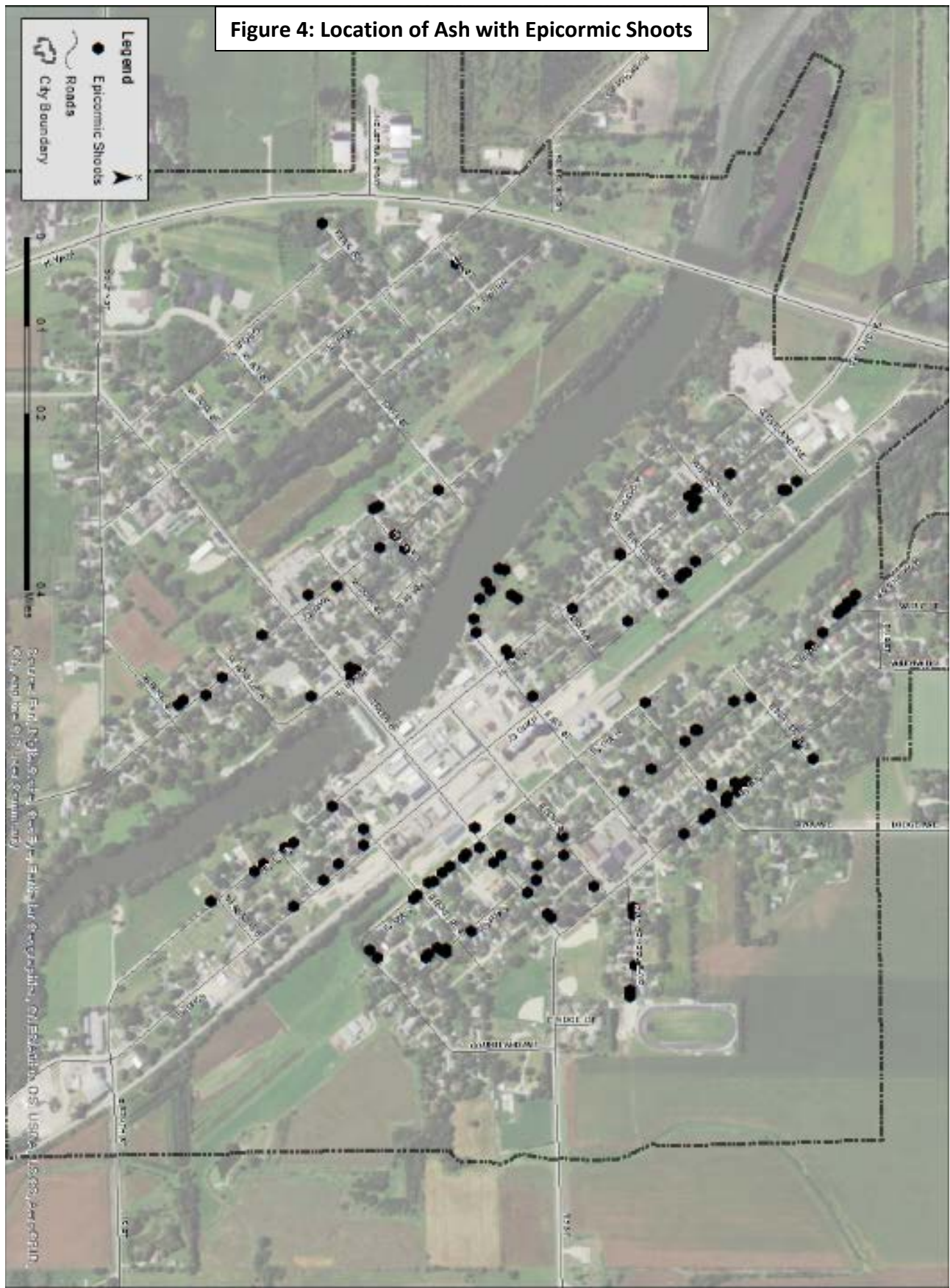




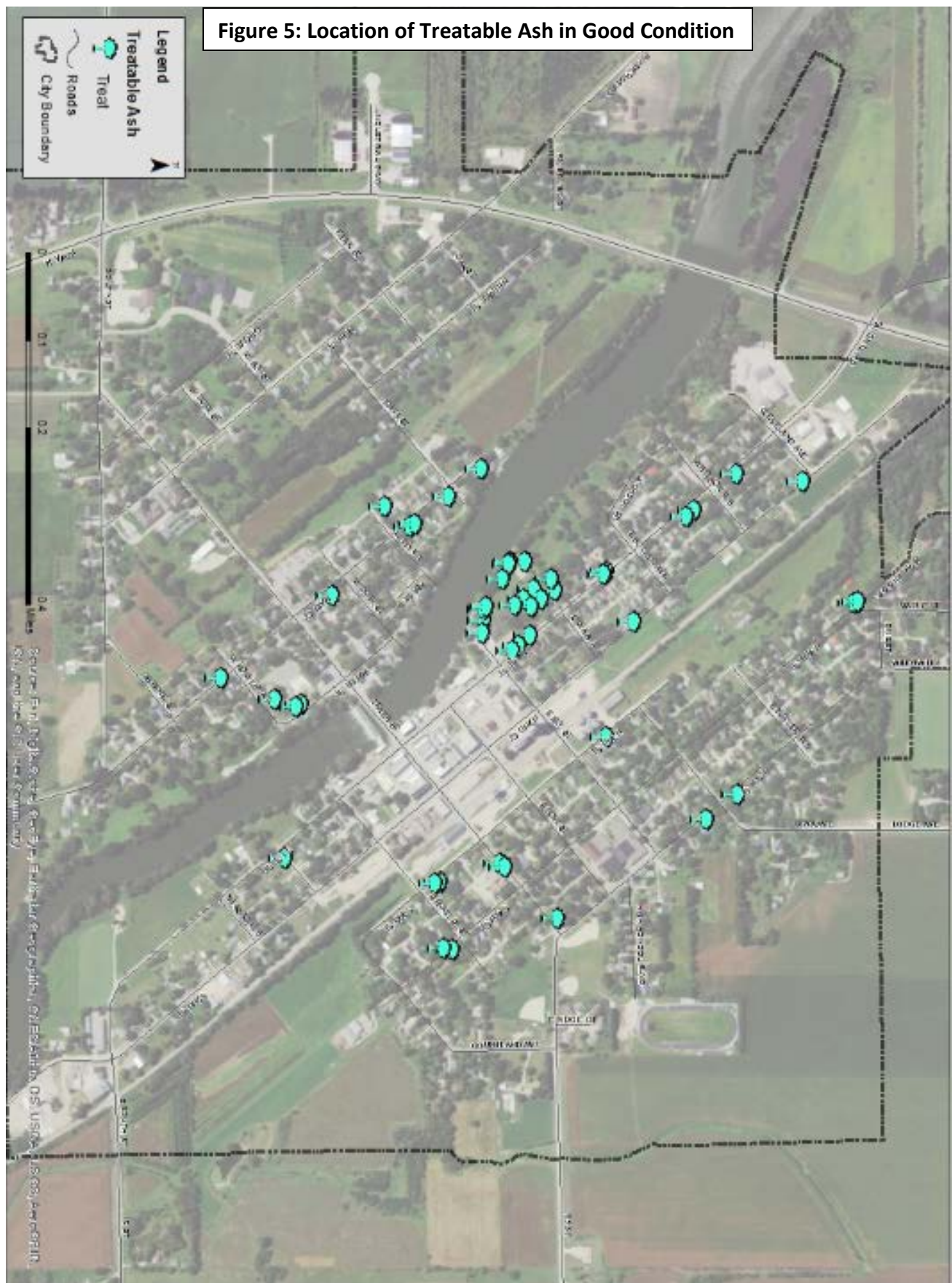




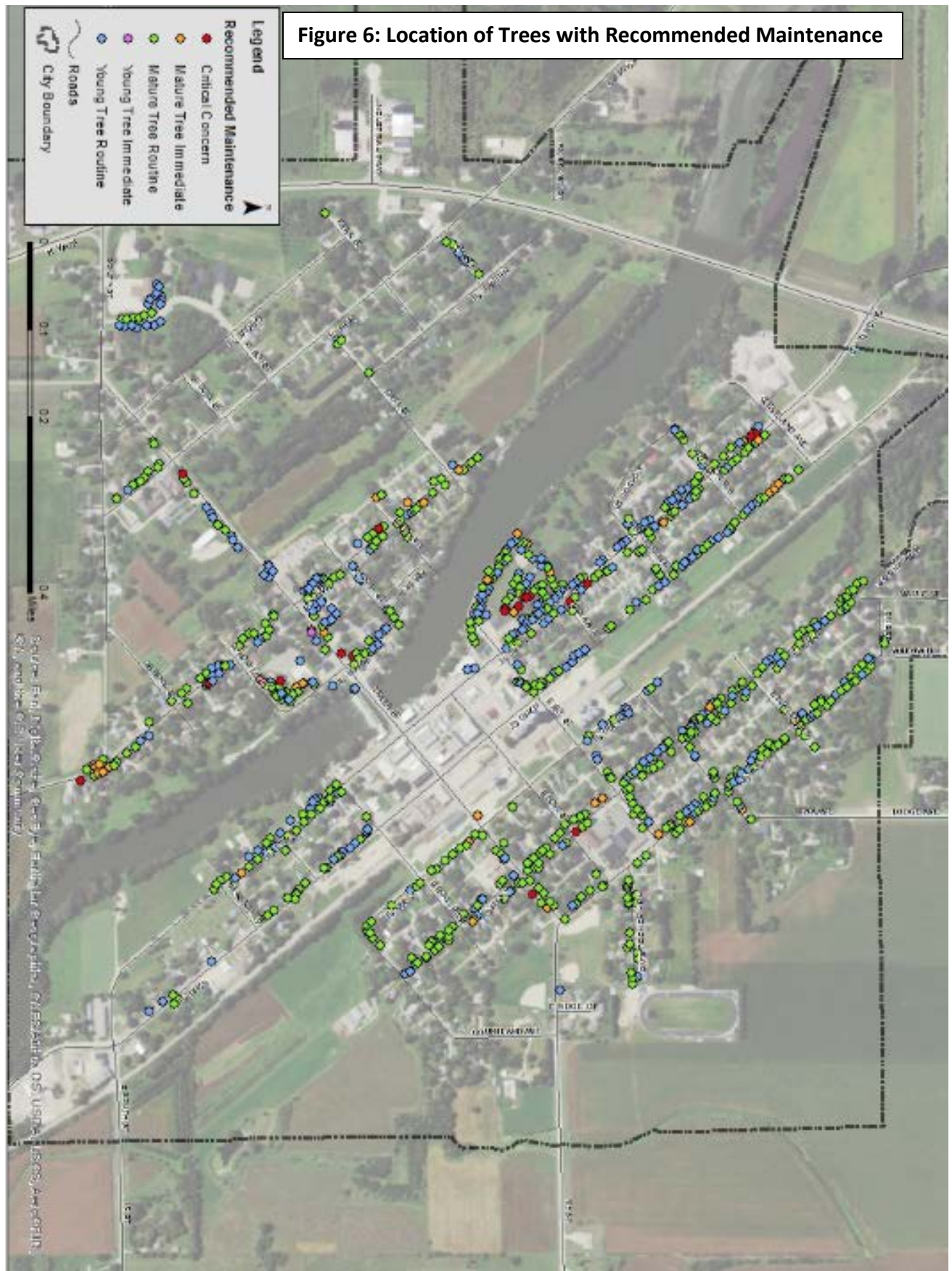




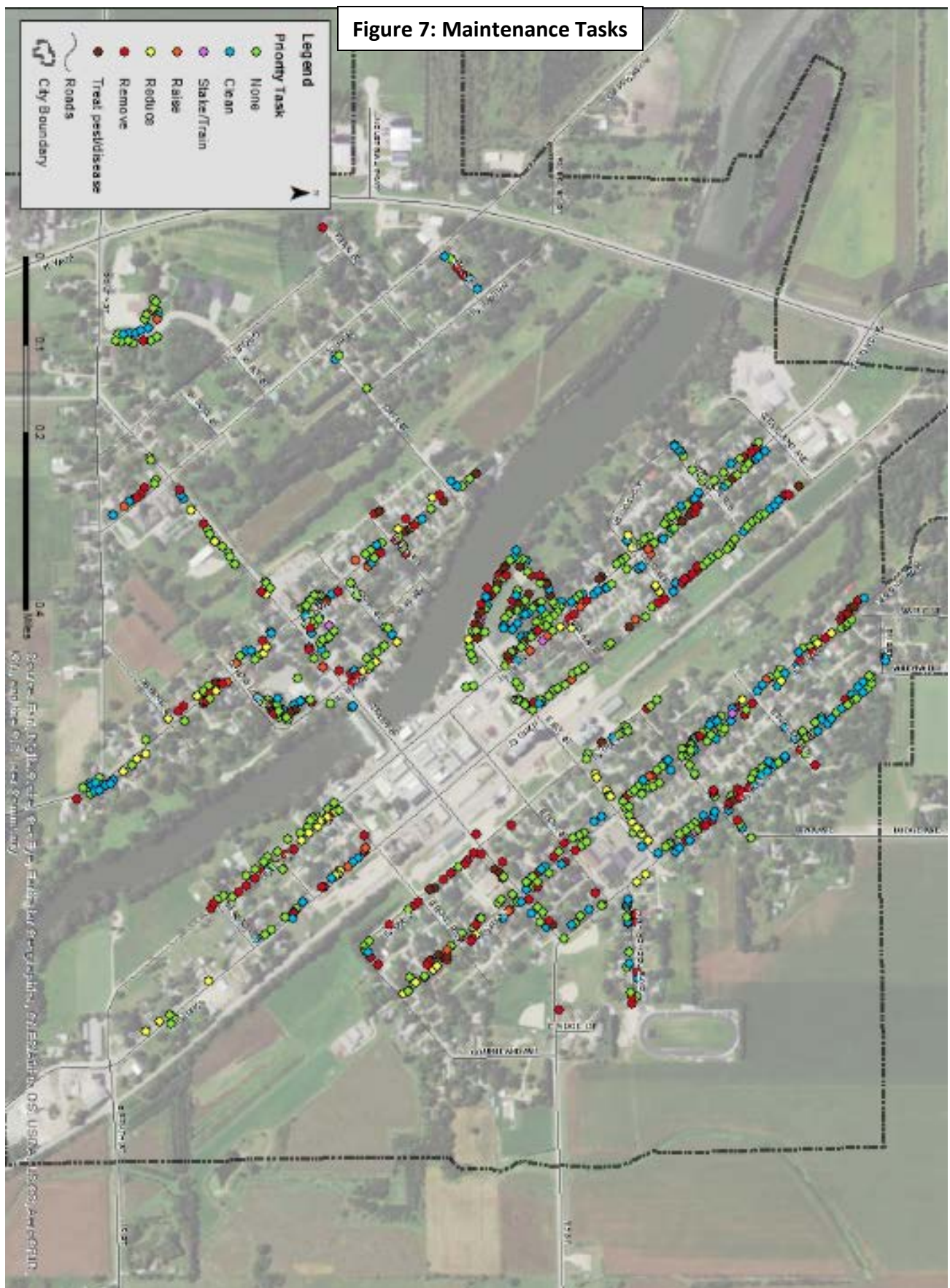












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