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**WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
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Quote of the Month

Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under trees on a summer's day, listening to the murmur of the water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is by no means a waste of time. ~J. Lubbock



Team Training

Summer is a busy time of year for those who care for trees. Many municipalities hire extra personnel to manage the increased seasonal workload. It is very important to make sure that all employees, whether full-time, seasonal, or temporary, understand the basics of tree care.

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Coordinator's Corner



Sarah writes about some very exciting upcoming 'big projects,' including the 2012 Capital Jobs Bill. The bill was passed in April by the State Legislature and one of its many components is Urban Forest Restoration. There will be \$1.5 million available for restoration projects in Western Washington.

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Scientists Clone 'Survivor' Elm Trees



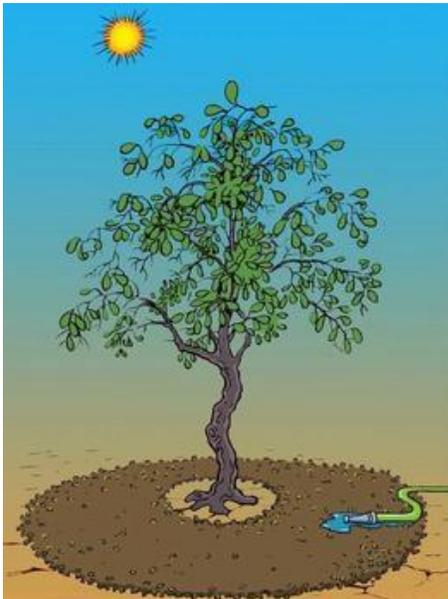
Scientists at the University of Guelph have found a way to successfully clone American elm trees that have survived repeated epidemics of their biggest killer -- Dutch elm disease.

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Tree Care

Weed free mulch? Codling moths are flying



Even if you mulch, you may need to do a little weeding around your trees. Herbicide-infused mulch offers a tempting alternative to hand-weeding, but Tivon Feeley, Forest Health Program Leader for the Iowa DNR, urges caution.

It is codling moth time! Learn how to protect your precious apples from this destructive critter.

[Read more.](#)

Community News

Renton Celebrates Arbor Day with State Forester



Washington State Forester Aaron Everett presented the City of Renton with its fourth Tree City USA Award and, thanks to funding received through a Community Forestry Assistance Grant, volunteers planted 62 street trees.

[Read more.](#)

Green Infrastructure Saves \$\$\$



Is your city looking to reduce overall costs of treating water, cooling the urban environment, and improving air quality? Trees are the answer! Trees are "green infrastructure" that can save municipalities money. A collaborative report by American Rivers, American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), ECONorthwest, and the Water Environment Federation looked at the potential benefits and savings of green infrastructure.

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Council Communique'



The Washington Community Forestry Council recently welcomed several new members to its ranks. This month meet Lisa Ciecko, representing Non-Profit/Volunteer groups.

[Read more.](#)

Web-ucation: Links to help you learn

- [Neglected, Rotting Trees Turn Deadly](#) While a bit sensationalized, this New York Times article discusses the real risk and cost of deferred tree maintenance.
- [Friends of Trees](#) has a good [online tool for selecting street and yard trees](#).
- [Arbor Day Foundation Volunteer Center](#) is a new way to match volunteers and volunteer activities. Whether you are looking for a volunteer opportunity to get involved with or you are looking for volunteers to join in on a project, this site will link you up.

June Calendar of Events, Activities and Opportunities

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