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## **Vaudreuil-Dorion to plant close to 11,000 trees this fall**

**Vaudreuil-Dorion, September 23, 2022** – In the next few weeks, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion will begin a large-scale tree-planting initiative in various locations throughout the territory. This major operation is largely being carried out as part of the Government of Canada's 2 Billion Trees Program (10,000 small trees). Added to these will be the planting of 800 or so 50 and 100 mm trees to replace ash trees that had to be cut down in parks, green spaces and street rights-of-way due to the emerald ash borer. In total, nearly 11,000 new trees will be planted in different areas of Vaudreuil-Dorion.

The sites identified for higher density planting, i.e. the 10,000 small trees, include Harwood Nature Park, Parc Le 405, Parc Paul-Gérin-Lajoie, Parc de la Maison-Valois and Parc de l'Île Bray, green spaces on Rue Bellini and Rue Brunet, the intersection of Montée Cadieux and Avenue Saint-Charles, areas near Rue Bellerive, route de Lotbinière and the Des Chenaux overpass, Montée Cadieux, near the overpass on Highway 40, in the Rivière Quinchien sector and on the hill on Rue Henry-Ford. The larger trees, which aim to replace the ash trees that were cut down in recent years, will be planted throughout the territory. It should be noted that planting sites have already been marked with stakes.

«We typically plant between 600 and 800 trees a year in public places, parks and street rights-of-way. This fall, we are taking advantage of the 2 Billion Trees Program to add even more trees to reforest different sectors. Our Strategic Plan 2020 > 2025 mentions our commitment to develop a harmonious and sustainable living environment, which also includes the sound management of the forest cover on our territory,» said Mayor Guy Pilon.

The grant from Natural Resources Canada covers 50% of the expenses associated with the planting of the 10,000 trees (land preparation, tree purchase and planting work) as well as maintenance work for a period of three years.