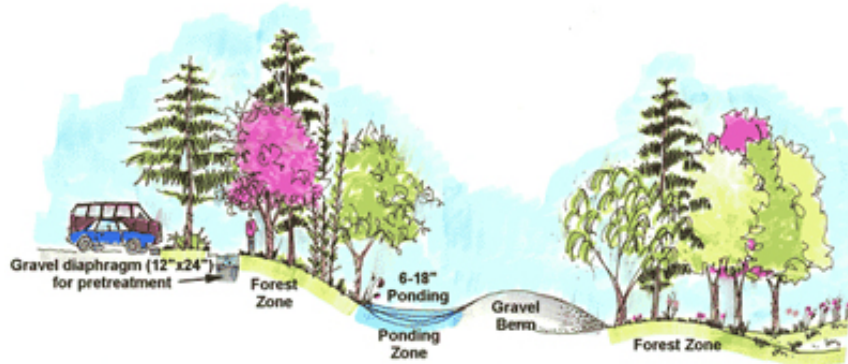


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AN UPDATE FROM THE VERMONT URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY PROGRAM



Trees & Urban Rainwater

The cost of using trees as a part of the rainwater management system requires significantly more investment per tree than is required to simply grow healthier trees. But a tree rainwater system is usually less costly to build and maintain than other engineering options when cost per unit volume of treated water is considered. Urban foresters, landscape architects and arborists can be important initiators of the use of trees for rainwater management.

Learn more:

- View a [webcast](#) on the topic provided by the [Urban Natural Resource Institute](#).
- Visit [Watershed Forestry Resource Guide](#).
- Department of Environmental Conservation - [Stormwater Section](#).



Tree Planting Grants Due 1/15

Don't miss this tree planting grant opportunity. \$75,000 is available through the Preservation Trust of Vermont. Grants are due January 15th.

[Learn more](#)



Vermont's Big Trees

Check out our new webpages showcasing Vermont's BIGGEST trees. Do you know of any big tree contenders?

[Learn more](#)

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SOUL TALK



- 2010 SOUL Tree Stewards Course begins February 11th. [Encourage members from your community to attend.](#)

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CALENDAR

Stewardship of the Urban Landscape starts February 11.

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Feature Tree

Carpinus betulus - European Hornbeam

An urban tolerant columnar tree noted for its fine and dense texture, smooth gray bark, pendulous catkins and unusual fruits.

[Learn more](#) *Connects to UConn's Plant Database*



Pest Highlights

Watch FPR forester, Jim Esden, on VermontTV.net as he discusses two invasive tree pests: *Hemlock Woolly Adelgids* and *Asian Longhorned Beetles*.

[Watch now](#)

Look under Featured & Agriculture



Your 2009 VT Tree Stewards

The unsung heroes that literally 'green' our communities will be honored at the Statehouse on January 20th.

[Learn more](#)



Arbor Day School Opportunities

Help the schools in your community celebrate Arbor Day on May 7 by encouraging them to take advantage of our offerings.

[Learn more](#)

RESOURCES TO KNOW

[Tree Owners Manual](#) -

Just like the owner's manual that comes with automobiles and appliances, but for trees.

[The Road to a Thoughtful Street Tree Master Plan](#) - PDF

Describes how to design streetscapes that are both functional and aesthetically-pleasing.

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT South Burlington's TREEage

...making a difference in South Burlington ... one tree at a time.

They prune trees, remove mountains of mulch, thousands of stem girdling roots, survey for undesired forest pests, plant and care for trees at the TREEage Community Nursery. Visit them at www.TREEage.org

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