

Motion to recommend approving the proposed ash tree EAB treatment

The Richmond Conservation Commission recommends that the Selectboard approve up to \$4800 in Conservation Reserve Funds to cover the cost of treating town ash trees, as described in the EAB tx proposal dated 19 April 2025. The request fits a number of CRF criteria: This application of CRF funds meets multiple CRF criteria:

- 1) Contributes toward the protection of natural resources in and of importance to Richmond.
- 2) Yields a clear, sustainable benefit to Richmond residents in the form of preserving scenic and environmental values (e.g., beauty, shade, habitat).
- 3) Is directed at threatened resources.
- 4) Preserves biodiversity.as enumerated in the proposal related to providing access to and preserving recreational opportunities, conserving an important natural resource.
- 5)

These funds must be expended within 3 years of the date of final approval, or by approximately May 2028.