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Urban and Community Forestry Tidbits

Save the Date! Partners in Community Forestry Conference November 5-6-The 2014 Partners in Community Forestry National Conference will be held Nov. 5-6 in Charlotte, NC. Mark your calendars and check out the website for more information http://www.arborday.org/shopping/pcf/2014/.

2014 ISA-RMC Annual Conference-And mark your calendars for this event to be held in Lone Tree on September 25-26. For more information and to register go here https://www.isarmc.org/pro/registration.php.

Oregon State University Launches Online Graduate Program in Urban Forestry-Oregon State University is giving natural resource professionals an innovative and flexible way to advance their careers by offering the nation's first online graduate certificate in urban forestry. The certificate combines OSU's expertise in forestry with its reputation as a national leader in online education to provide students with an interactive learning environment that better equips them to manage trees in and around urban areas. The urban forestry certificate program begins this fall. Learn more about the program, its curriculum and how to apply at ecampus.oregonstate.edu/urbanforestry.

Colorado Tree Coalition Tidbits

Front Range Urban Forestry Council-Mark your calendars for July 17th in Boulder or Longmont, and bring your appetites!

Next CTC Board Meeting...And one more to mark for the next Board of Director's meeting on August 8th.

Colorado Tree Coalition Risk Management Program-CTC is completing an updated version of its popular Tree Risk Assessment and Management program this summer. The old Hazard Tree Program has been restructured to comply with the recent ANSI A300- Part 9 Tree Risk Assessment Standards, accompanying Best Management Practices, and current industry practices and scientific papers. The CTC program follows the new language for assessment, while allowing communities and organizations to add a management component to address local needs. Additional information on tree risk dealing with wildfire, floods and ash trees will be included.

Training will be available in late summer and fall. Due to the addition of the new Standards and BMP's, interested members should purchase and add these two documents to their library.

ANSI A300 - Tree Risk Assessment Standard Part 9

Tree Risk Assessment Best Management Practices

These are available from the Rocky Mountain Chapter office of ISA. Additionally, you can download this free 204 page publication from the USDA Forest Service titled:

"Urban Tree Risk Management: A community Guide to Program Design and Implementation"

http://www.na.fs.fed.us/spfo/pubs/uf/utrmm/urban_tree_risk_mgmnt.pdf
For more information, you can contact Bill Cassel at bill.cassel@denvergov.org

CTC Receives Grant from TREE Fund-The Colorado Tree Coalition recently received news that its proposal to the TREE Fund was accepted for \$10,000 in funding. CTC, with help and direction from the Emerging Pests in Colorado (EPIC) committee, plan to produce emerald ash borer mailers for use by impacted communities in Boulder County in utility bill mailings, HOA correspondence, etc., door hangers for symptomatic trees in infested areas of Boulder, ash tree labeling tape and a simple to use EAB cost calculator.