

ARK Construction

Attn: Anthony Nicolini

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Butternut Assessment – 1185 Beaverwood

As requested by ARK Construction a butternut assessment was conducted in response to potential clearing activities for a development. BCH Environmental was asked to assess a single butternut tree located 1185 Beaverwood.

Methodology

Butternut is listed as an endangered species on the Species at Risk in Ontario List, and as such, it is protected under the Endangered Species Act, 2007 (ESA) from being killed, harmed, or removed. If you are planning to undertake an activity that may affect Butternut (within 50m), you may be eligible to follow the requirements set out in section 23.7 of Ontario Regulation 242/08 under the ESA,

If you are eligible to kill, harm or take Butternut under section 23.7 of the regulation, your first step is to submit a BHA Report to MECP.

Cody Fontaine (BHA #723) assessed the butternut in question on May 25, 2022.

Results/ Conclusion

During the site visit the butternut in question was assessed as a Category 2 butternut. Category 2 butternut are protected from being killed, harmed, or removed. If you are planning to undertake an activity that may affect this butternut, you are eligible to follow the requirements set out in section 23.7 of Ontario Regulation 242/08 under the ESA. This requires registering the activity and offsite compensation.

Due to the timing of the proposed works and what appears to be a rapidly declining butternut (canker was present throughout the tree), it is recommended that this butternut be re-assessed at a later date. This will provide a more accurate assessment closer to the date of proposed activity.

Thank you for the opportunity to work with you. If you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact me at 613.571.8883 or shaun@bchenviro.ca



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