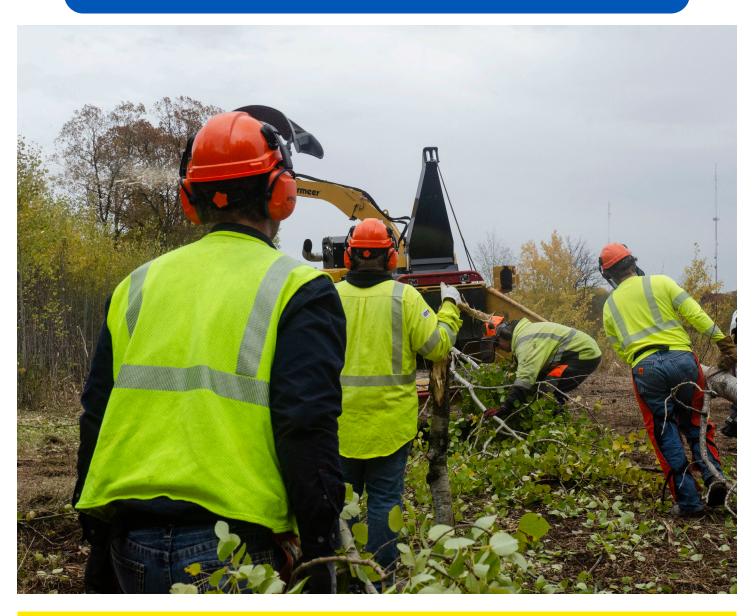


# **Tree Trimming Workshop**

October 8-10, 2024



Elk River Municipal Utilities 13069 Orono Pkwy NW, Elk River, MN 55330

## 2024 Tree Trimming Workshop—at a glance

### Who should attend?

This workshop is intended for any municipal employee responsible for tree work; it's not just for lineworkers.

The course will include classroom and hands-on field work and will take place rain or shine. Please come prepared with the proper tools, personal protective equipment, and other necessary items (see section on what to bring).



## **Team of instructors**

Training will be led by MMUA's Jake Kuntz, Cody Raveling, and Jay Reading. All three have extensive tree care experience, including a 30-hour training course. Additionally, Jake is a licensed Minnesota tree inspector, and he is working toward becoming a certified arborist.

#### **Hotel information**

MMUA has secured a block of rooms at a reduced rate at the Wyndham Garden Otsego-NW Minneapolis, located at 9200 Quady Ave NE, Otsego, MN 55330. The daily room rate is \$90 plus tax. The room block closes on September 14 or when sold out. Availability cannot be guaranteed.

Please make hotel reservations as soon as possible using the following link: https://tinyurl.com/2024-tree-hotel.

## **Registration information**

Registration fee includes workshop fees, materials, lunch, refreshment breaks, and a certificate of attendance.

• Member—\$450 per person

Registration limited to first 50 participants.

Registration increases \$50 on September 6.

MMUA will issue a refund (less \$50 processing fee per person) provided MMUA is notified of the cancellation by 4:30 pm on September 20. Refunds issued to a credit card will be subject to a 3% fee.

To register, visit <u>mmua.org/events/tree-trimming-2024</u>. The registration deadline is September 20.

## What do I need to bring?

- Work gloves/gauntlets
- Work boots
- Hard hat
- · Safety glasses
- · Face protection
- Hearing protection
- Long sleeve shirt
- Weather-appropriate, high visibility clothing
- Chaps
- Chainsaw in protective case and extra chain
- Mixed gas, in approved container

#### **Schedule**

## Tuesday, October 8

12:00-1:00 Registration/check-in

1:00 Welcome and introductions

1:15-4:00 Classroom instruction covering:

-Safety standards

-Hazard recognition

-Chainsaw safety and maintenance

-Disease prevention

-Wood chipper safety and

proper use

## Wednesday, October 9

8:00-12:00 Hands-on tree work

12:00-1:00 Lunch provided

1:00-4:00 Hands-on tree work

## Thursday, October 10

8:00-10:00 Rigging techniques and proper

application

10:00-11:30 Overview of tree species;

tree trimming and cutting

recommendations

11:30-12:00 Q&A and wrap-up

Schedule subject to change without notice.