

Treeways

2019 - 02

Charlton Road Construction - TREES

Street improvements running the length of Charlton Road will impact trees adjacent to the 2019 construction activities. There is no doubt that some trees will be removed due to tree location and proximity to road construction. If other trees would become unstable in the future due to partial root disruption during construction, they may require crown reduction pruning or even removal due to public safety considerations. It is the goal of your City Forester to remove only the minimum number of trees. Maximum tree retention while accommodating public safety along Charlton Road following construction will determine what tree pruning and removals are done during and following the road construction project.

Road construction also creates the possibility of reintroducing native wildflowers and grasses along Charlton Road. When construction has been completed, adjacent bare soil areas will be seeded and mulched to prevent erosion. Native wildflowers and grasses could be included in the restoration seed mix. Also, there may be an opportunity to install a selection of native, smaller stature understory and fruit trees that will quickly beautify the new road margins.

While there will be significant inconvenience and disruption during construction I believe that the improved street will nearly eliminate dust raised by passing traffic, improve public safety, and greatly reduce the annual maintenance costs for this street. Suggestions and comments are always welcomed so feel free to call or email anytime.

Jim Naves
Sunfish Lake City Forester
612-803-9033
jim@lstrees.com