



## Alaska Community Forestry Program 2020 Grant Opportunity Invasive Tree Species Grants

The USDA Forest Service (USFS) and the DNR, Division of Forestry, Urban and Community Forestry Program (CFP) have grant monies available to local governments and non-profits to reduce the impacts of invasive tree species in community forests statewide.

Approximately **\$20,000** is available for 100% cost-reimbursable grants. Applicants may apply for grants up to **\$5,000**.

These funds will be granted to awardees who have knowledge and commitment to controlling invasive tree species in their communities. Please submit proposals by July 2, 2020.

Please note that these grant monies are intended for tree species other than *Prunus padus*, commonly known as European bird cherry (EBC), chokecherry or mayday trees, and *Prunus virginiana*, commonly known as Canadian red and chokecherry. CFP has a separate grant program available for *Prunus padus* and *Prunus virginiana* control.

Eligible costs include activities that demonstrate management options to reduce the impact of invasive tree species in community forests:

- A. Hiring crews or contracting work to treat or control invasive tree species through Integrated Pest Management techniques.
- B. Purchase of materials and supplies for Integrated Pest Management.
- C. Tree plantings or other restoration activities.
- D. Using remote sensing methods such as Treeworks, iTree or other GIS methods to map areas of invasive tree species.
- E. Purchase of computer software which will aid in the mapping and reporting of the project.
- F. Equipment rental or lease (leases must be specified in the grant proposal and agreement).
- G. Organizing community volunteer tree control events.
- H. Other items as determined by the grant review committee.

Grant applications that include partnerships between local governments and local or regional non-profits are encouraged. Grant applications that leverage additional work through in-kind services, volunteer labor, and cash contributions are also encouraged.

Management of the grants will be conducted by the CFP. Grants will be awarded for up to three years. Grant awardees will be responsible for submitting a final report.

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Division of Forestry  
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**Mission of the Alaska Community Forestry Program:**

***Help communities build effective, self-sustaining community forestry programs with strong local support.***

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