



TREE CANOPY POLICY & TREE REPLACEMENT PLAN

Over the last decade, the Town of Deseronto has experienced considerable loss of mature trees due to significant weather events and deterioration. In response, the Town of Deseronto has adopted a Tree Canopy Policy and a Tree Replacement Plan.

Prior to the passing of the Tree Canopy Policy, significant thought and consideration went into the types of replacement trees that would be conducive to our community, the criteria for confirming suitable locations for a replacement and the annual budget allocation necessary to make a concerted effort for tree replacement in Deseronto.

The adopted policy encourages the planting of a tree for every tree that is removed due to deterioration or damage on Town property where the location is suitable for a replacement tree. Prior to the replacement of a tree, the location will be reviewed to ensure there will be no adverse effects to municipal roads, sidewalks or infrastructure or utility service lines, the planting will not impede or hinder any future development and that the required budgetary resources are available. Deseronto Town Council acknowledge that a replacement may not be feasible in all circumstances but are committed to sustaining and maintaining the picturesque tree canopy that has been prevalent in our community for generations before us.

In 2024, the Town of Deseronto will commence the replacement of trees in areas that were lost in 2023 while endeavoring to replace any tree that is removed in the future. We encourage residents to assist the Town of Deseronto by monitoring any planted trees to ensure that they are not subject to damage by persons and to report any concerns to Town Hall at 613-396-2440.

For more information, please visit

<https://www.deseronto.ca/residents/by-laws-and-standards> on the Town of Deseronto website to review the Tree Canopy Policy and Tree Replacement Plan.