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Hello

I hope this email finds you well. My name is Jacob Kluza, and I am the Horticulture Agent for Winnebago County with the UW-Madison Division of Extension. Recently, I have been contacted by several residents in the Town of Clayton who are concerned about an unusual number of dead or dying trees in their neighborhoods, particularly on Dekalb, Galaxy, Challenger, and the area between Larsen Road and Highway II.

Upon visiting the area, I identified that the trees in question are ash trees suffering from an infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). As you may know, EAB is a highly destructive pest that has been responsible for the decline and death of millions of ash trees across the United States.

Given the severity of this issue and its potential impact on the community, I am reaching out to explore the possibility of collaborating with the Town of Clayton to inform residents about this situation and discuss potential management strategies. I would be happy to assist in sending out a mailer or conducting other forms of outreach to educate the public on this matter. Additionally, I would be willing to organize a small town hall meeting where I could provide a presentation on the Emerald Ash Borer and offer guidance on what residents can do to manage and mitigate the effects of this pest.

This email is intended to gauge interest and gather feedback on how we might work together to address this issue. Please let me know if the Town of Clayton would be interested in such a collaboration, or if you have any other suggestions or concerns.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your response.

Best regards,

Jacob Kluza  
Horticulture Agent - Winnebago County  
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