Northern Virginia Urban Forestry Quarterly Roundtable

Undergrounding Utilities While Preserving Trees Above is Possible!

Thursday, February 23, 2017
Wetland Studies and Solutions
5300 Wellington Branch Drive
Gainesville, VA 20155

Site plans increasingly show cables and utilities crisscrossing lots, having a great impact on trees that are to be preserved. Sewer, water, gas and other underground utilities age and need to be replaced, affecting the homeowner’s trees as well as public street trees. Utilities are urged to underground overhead lines to prevent outages during storms. What does this all mean for the urban tree canopy? Come hear how other urban foresters are addressing the issues and share your experiences. This Roundtable will focus on underground lines impacts and not overhead lines.

9:30 - 10:00  Sign-in and Networking
10:00 – 10:15  Welcome
Jay Banks, Trees Virginia President
10:15 – 10:50  Reviewing Utility and Civil Engineering Plans to Preserve Trees
Vincent Verweij, Arlington County Urban Forester
10:50 – 11:30  Legacy Trees and 1860 Sewers in New Haven, Ct
Cary Hulse, Wetland Studies and Solutions, a Davey Company
11:30 – 12:00  Save Your Tree and Replace a Sewer Line
Jim McGlone, Virginia Department of Forestry
12:00 – 1:00  Lunch and Networking
1:00 – 1:45  Dominion Power Strategic Undergrounding Program
Clay Kassabian, Northern Virginia Regional Manager for Dominion Powers Strategic Undergrounding Program

Please register with Trees Virginia at www.treesvirginia.org no later than Sept. 3. There is a $10 registration fee for everyone. Lunch is brown bag or you may purchase lunch for an additional $10, for a total of $20.00 in advance. Questions? Contact Becky Woodson, 434-220-9024, becky.woodson@dof.virginia.gov.

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