

Douglas Fir Modification in Parksville Community Park

A large Douglas fir located in Parksville Community Park (near the parking lot along Ravenhill Road) has died and will be modified to support local wildlife habitat.

The tree, measuring approximately 33 inches in diameter at its base, is estimated to be between 80 and 160 years old. While the exact cause is unknown, recent climate conditions are believed to have contributed to its decline. Environmental stress can weaken trees, putting them at risk to insects and fungal diseases.

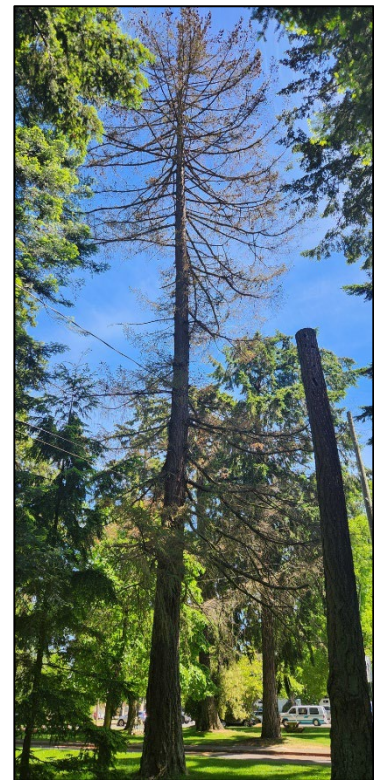
To preserve ecological value, the tree will be reduced to a height of approximately six metres and retained as a wildlife tree. This approach provides important habitat for birds, insects, and other species.

Work is tentatively scheduled for July 3, weather dependent.

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home to the Snaw-Naw-As First Nation and the Qualicum First Nation.*