

Elm: An Old Friend Returns

Eastern Region

2010 Accomplishments

This project was initiated in 2010 in an effort to reestablish American elms in the Eastern Region. Varieties of elms including Princeton, Valley Forge, and Jefferson were planted at offices and visitor centers in 10 national forests. Participating forests include: Alleghany, Chequamegon-Nicolet, Green Mountain & Finger Lakes, Hoosier, Huron-Manistee, Monongahela, Ottawa, Superior, Wayne, and White Mountain. These varieties of elms have been tested and proven to be highly resistant to Dutch Elm Disease.

Participating forests will also receive an interpretive wayside exhibit that shares the story of the devastation caused by Dutch Elm Disease and the return of this tree to America's forests and cities. Elm researchers from Northeastern Area S&PF provided research to aid in the development of the interpretive wayside exhibit. Project completion is expected in November 2010.



Figure 1. Princeton elm planted on the Washburn Ranger District, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest.

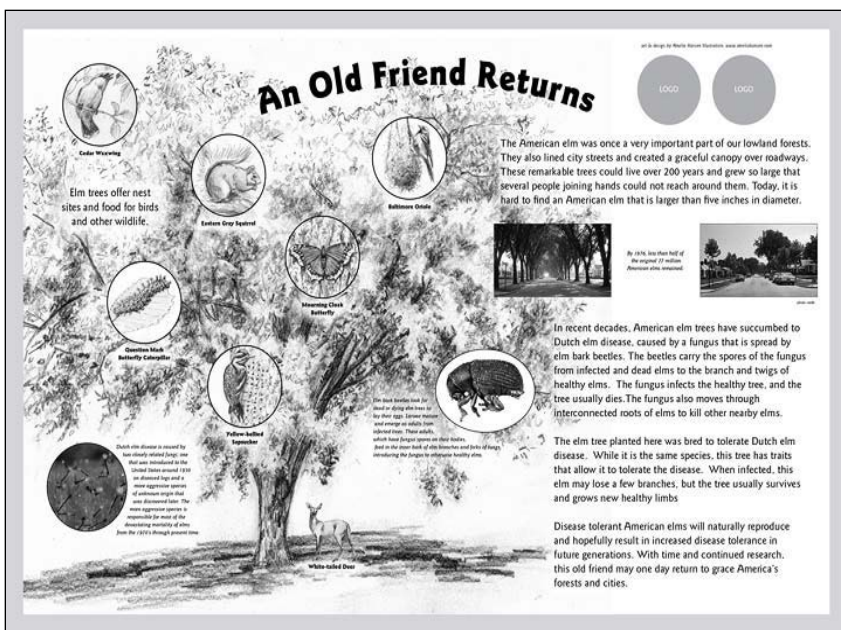


Figure 2. Interpretive wayside exhibit conceptual design shares the story of hope and return for the American elm. Participating forests will receive one of these wayside exhibits in November 2010. Artist Amelia Hansen is currently painting the illustrations to prepare for exhibit fabrication.

Year Awarded: Initial Award May 2010

Project Completion: November 2010

Report Number: 1 of 2

Expenditures (through 10/2010):

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