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## **PALISADES PARK FOREST HEALTH PROJECT BEGINS TOMORROW**

*Project Is Designed to Restore 13-Acres to pre-European Conditions*

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City of Spokane Urban Forestry in collaboration with the Palisades neighborhood, Spokane County Conservation District and Washington Department of Natural Resources will begin a 13-acre Forest Health restoration project in Palisades Park on November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Work will continue for approximately two weeks to restore this forested area to pre-European conditions. The forest health treatment plan focuses on the removal of overgrowth, retention of mature trees, and providing quality habitat.

The City of Spokane gratefully acknowledges funding support for this project from Washington Department of Natural Resources, technical support from Spokane County Conservation District, and the citizen stewardship of the Palisades neighborhood.

For more information please call 509.363.5470 or go online to [www.spokaneurbanforestry.org](http://www.spokaneurbanforestry.org)

### **About Urban Forestry**

City of Spokane Urban Forestry staff manages 50,000 street trees and another 28,000 trees on developed park land within the City of Spokane. City arborists help manage the urban forest by planting and maintaining trees throughout the City. The thinning of trees in some areas is also done to improve the overall health of various stands of trees in the City's park system. Improving the City's urban forest is an ongoing project that will take decades of work and careful management. In 2010 Spokane received its seventh year in a row designation as a Tree City USA. That program is sponsored by The National Arbor Day

Foundation in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

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