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Question4: The Forestry programming in the State of Michigan has assisted the residents of the state in the past and is sure to be a needed & necessary curriculum in the future if the State seeks to achieve all of its conservation and environmental goals.

Community and Urban Forestry programming in the State of Michigan assists communities that do not have forestry departments with respect to grant opportunities, knowledge and experience. Here in Plymouth Township we have been on the front lines of the devastating rath of the Emerald Ash Borer. With no community forester on staff, the need for funding, expertise and experience on a State level was needed & provided quickly which allowed for us to obtain and disseminate the most effective information and programs in our battle with EAB.

Additionally, in the now home stretch of the inevitable Ann Arbor - Detroit Megalopolis, proper urban forest management and planning are essential to achieving a level of conservation that is necessary to sustain and promote a healthy ecosystem for today and generations to come.

Finally, the best method for achieving conservation and environmental goals, both present and future, is by keeping the "Forestry" programming separate from "Conservation" in this proposal. This separation will help to best ensure that the funding & expertise necessary for the State of Michigan to assist its communities and residents with urban forestry issues remains within our reach.

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