What is Oak Wilt?

Oak Wilt is a serious disease that is fatal to Oak trees. Unfortunately, Oak Wilt has been found in the city of Jonestown.

To help prevent the spread of oak wilt:

- Pruning oak trees is prohibited from February 1st through June 30th. At all times of the year, suspected disease of any oak tree shall be reported to the city for review by the city arborist before the pruning is performed to minimize the risk of oak wilt spread.
- Pruning in habitat zones (as per the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan) is prohibited from March 1st through August 31st to protect endangered species.
- At all times, pruning or removal of any oak tree requires a permit from the City of Jonestown.

Reporting Suspected Oak Wilt

If you suspect any oak tree is diseased:

- Report it to the permitting office at <u>permitting@jonestowntx.gov</u> for review
- The City of Jonestown will provide guidance on the next steps once contacted

Guidelines to Prevent Oak Wilt Spread

Follow these guidelines to minimize the spread:

- Use correct pruning techniques and disposal methods as outlined in the <u>TexasOakWilt.org</u> guidelines.
- Paint all wounds on oak trees any time of the year to help prevent the spread of the disease.
- Seek the help of a certified arborist regarding trenching, treating and removal of diseased oak trees.

By working together, we can protect Jonestown's oak trees and preserve the local environment for future generations.



Oak Wilt infected leaves