

# Destruction in Deschenes forest

Majestic trees have been damaged with axes and chainsaws in the Deschênes forest during the winter. The damage was discovered, March 3. In the heart of the oak forest in the northern part of the forest near the corner of Lucerne Boulevard and Fraser Road, several young and mature trees (over 4 metres tall) were damaged, and trunks and branches used to build a shelter. This lack of awareness of the value of our urban woodlands, and the need to protect them, is deplorable.

Since 2020, Alliance Parc Deschênes has been working to protect this urban forest, which was saved in response to a strong public mobilization. Residents of the neighborhoods surrounding the forest benefit from its beauty, its flora and fauna, its clean air and the serene calm it provides. We are appalled by this act of destruction and have requested that the city penalize such actions.

As neighborhood residents for whom this peaceful place is precious, let's educate our fellow-citizens, denounce this

lack of civic and environmental awareness, and take action if we witness acts of destruction that affect us all. See ([parc-deschenes.ca](http://parc-deschenes.ca))

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