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Protected Tree List *

Tree Removals within the City of Scotts Valley

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- The following is a list of **protected trees**.
- Removal of these trees requires a tree removal permit to be obtained from the Planning Department **prior to tree removal**.
- The fee is \$50 and processing time is approximately 24 days for trees requiring a removal permit (excludes dead, diseased or imminent hazard tree removal requests, which are over the counter with no fee or replanting requirement).

A	Any size tree located within five (5) feet of a public right-of-way or street.
B	Any single-trunk oak tree greater than or equal to eight (8) inch diameter (25 inch circumference).**
C	Any multi-trunk oak tree with any trunk greater than or equal to four (4) inches diameter (12 inch circumference).**
D	Any tree greater than or equal to eight (8) inch diameter (25 inch circumference)** if located within 20 feet of a moderate slope (greater than 20% slope).
E	Any single-trunk tree greater than or equal to 13 inch diameter (40 inch circumference).**
F	Any multi-trunk tree with any trunk greater than or equal to eight (8) inch diameter (25 inch circumference).**
G	Any tree, regardless of size, required as part of a permit approved by the Planning Department, Planning Commission or City Council, or required as a replacement tree for a removed tree.
H	Any Heritage Tree , as specified in Municipal Code Section 17.44.080 and Exhibit A to City Council Resolution No. 1697.2. A list and map of Heritage Trees are available at the Planning Department. Fees for removal of Heritage Trees are higher than other protected tree removals and applications must be approved at a public hearing before the Planning Commission.

- * **Note: No** tree removal permit is required to remove:
- Monterey Pine trees that are infected with pitch canker; proof of infection is required;
 - Blue Gum Eucalyptus or Acacia trees;
 - Bay Laurel trees **if** they are growing under the drip-line of an established oak tree; or,
 - Palm trees or Fruit trees
- ** Tree measurement shall be taken 4½ feet (54 inches) above the ground.
- *** Replacement tree fee is \$40 per replacement tree required.