



Los Angeles County  
Department of Regional Planning



*Planning for the Challenges Ahead*

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Director

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TO: Gina Natoli, AICP, Hearing Officer  
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SUBJECT: PROJECT NO. PM070971-(5)  
OAK TREE PERMIT CASE NO. 200900003  
June 1, 2010; AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

**\*SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION\***

**PROJECT BACKGROUND**

The applicant requests approval of Oak Tree Permit ("OTP") Case No. 200900003 for encroachment into the protected zone of four oak trees (one heritage oak). OTP 200900003 is associated with Plot Plan No. 200900478, a proposal to build a single-family residence with attached garage on the subject property.

The project was heard before the Hearing Officer on April 20, 2010 and continued to June 1, 2010, in order to allow the Los Angeles County Forester and Fire Warden ("Forester") and Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning ("Regional Planning") staff time to review issues raised during the April 20, 2010 public hearing.

This project was considered within the approved Negative Declaration for Tentative Parcel Map No. 070971 ("PM 070971"), Environmental Assessment Case No. 200900002.

**PROJECT ISSUES**

Issues raised at the April 20, 2010 hearing included questions about work on the subject property which may encroach into the protected zones of oak trees. Based on an inspection of the subject property, additional encroachments were identified and revised documents were provided to the Forester for review. To date, staff is still waiting to receive updated oak tree permit conditions from the Forester.

**STAFF EVALUATION**

As staff has not received updated oak tree permit conditions from the Forester, staff is not able to make a recommendation for approval or denial.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends a continuance of the public hearing.

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