

00:36:17 Mark Herwick: For additional information you may reach out to us at:
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00:37:25 Mark Herwick: LA County Zoning Code, Chapter 22.174 Oak Tree Permit:
https://library.municode.com/ca/los_angeles_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=TIT22PLZO_DIV8PERELEAC_CH22.1740ATRPE

00:38:12 Mark Herwick: LA County General Plan's Conservation and Natural Resources Element:
https://planning.lacounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/9.0_gp_final-general-plan-ch9.pdf

00:45:41 Mark Herwick: Some native oak trees to LA County:
<https://bit.ly/treehub-oaks>

00:46:08 Nick Araya: Is there a map somewhere where I can input an address and it will tell me if that property is indeed in an unincorporated part of LA County? It's not always clear

00:47:51 Mark Herwick: LA County Arboretum and Botanic Garden:
<https://parks.lacounty.gov/los-angeles-county-arboretum-and-botanic-garden/>
Pacific Horticulture on LA County Arboretum's Engelmann Oak Grove:
<https://pacifichorticulture.org/articles/the-most-majestic-southern-california-oak/>

00:49:59 Mark Herwick: This tool can be used to figure out what jurisdiction you are in <https://planning.lacounty.gov/#area-lookup>

00:51:31 Nick Araya: Reacted to "This tool can be use..." with ♥

00:51:37 Nick Araya: Thank you mark!!!

00:57:00 Nick Araya: It says "the county forester CAN determine a different size for the replacement tree"

Does this mean the minimum is 15 gallon but the forester could arbitrarily decide that yours, for some reason, must be a 60 inch box replacement?

00:57:50 Mark Herwick: Connect with a LA County Planner:
<https://planning.lacounty.gov/connect-with-a-planner/>
Schedule a Virtual Counseling Session (Calendar):
<https://outlook.office365.com/book/RegionalPlanningVirtualOnlineAppointments@lacounty.onmicrosoft.com/?ismsaljsauthenabed=true>

01:01:21 Mark Herwick: To register to attend the Board of Forestry Zone 0 Advisory Committee meeting at the Pasadena Convention Center, in-person meeting (to comment and/or ask questions):

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oEx6RAVUTUWtaMmKUgJh-N-0vZxCq5VDlq9ek45R5LhUQVVCV1EyRkhZWj1GVFBNRzdRW11ENFBETCQ1QCN0PWcu>
To participate in the Board of Forestry Zone 0 Advisory Committee virtually via Microsoft Teams:

<https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/d5a9c1a7-c1d7-4b0a-8202-f10347c684c2@447a4ca0-5405-454d-ad68-c98a520261f8z>

01:01:47 Mark Herwick: Nurit Katz (UCLA) and the Monday noon working meetings; please contact Nurit for the invitation: nkatz@fm.ucla.edu
Free Gold-spotted Oak Borer trainings by the Invasive Pest Management Team from LA

County and UC Cooperative Extension (save the date!):

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/qT08FV0>

01:02:51 Mark Herwick: LA County Planning and the LA Chapter of the American Planning Association's webinar, "Planning Among Oaks: Research, Community Mapping, and Practice," for Community Planning Month on Thurs 10/30 @11:30am: <https://bit.ly/PlanningMonth2025>

Alternative Meeting #4 (Tues, Sept 23) for residents who missed this meeting and are looking at the posted meeting chat. To attend Alternative meetings, you have to register for each one separately from the series:

<https://planning-lacounty-gov.zoom.us/meeting/register/s6VUXT0aSf23HiBQs7DpaQ>

Note: these alternative meetings will cover the same content as the associated Meeting number from the main series.

01:06:02 Pat Ruiz: If tree hollows can be addressed in design standards or other regulations. Contractors are willing to kill wildlife or seal hollows. Maybe a what can and can not be done.

01:06:11 gabriele burkard: How do you deal with oaks partially blown down by the windstorm Jan &

01:08:25 Sara Hammes: Can you clarify again how the new ordinance is expected to encourage the planting of Oak trees? (discussion under unintended consequences)

01:12:54 Nick Araya: Or maybe "one replacement tree for every 6 inches of tree removed"

01:13:02 David Rose: I would like to watch meeting #3 and will need a code to open it. Can you provide me the code ? My email is drrathac@aol.com. Thank you

01:13:02 Jessica Richards: <https://altadenagreen.org/>
Of course, as stated you'd need consent from the landowner to conduct this assessment

01:13:41 Nick Araya: The thought of replacing a 32" tree with two 15 gallon trees is preposterous. If the goal is no net loss of canopy, you're not going to get that by replacing 30 inch trees with 2 15 gallon trees

01:16:46 David Rose: I overlooked it. Thank you

01:17:06 LA County Planning:
<https://planning.lacounty.gov/long-range-planning/oak-tree-program/meetings-and-hearings/>

01:18:13 Nick Araya: @Jessica Richards the utilities are exempted from tree replacement policies.

01:18:57 Ellen Walton: If a resident did not file a waiver, then USACE or SCE had no restrictions.

01:18:58 Sara Hammes: Have you considered incentives to encourage planting of Oak trees or preserving?

01:19:51 Patrick Crooks: I agree with the comments by Nick and James for replacement ratios. 15- gallon ought to be the minimum replacement but I would encourage the County to have standards utilizing the Guide to Plant Appraisal to truly replace trees in-kind on value. Two 5 year old oak trees do not provide the same value as a 20-inch coast live oak. The urban forest canopy in unincorporated County will continue to decline if the ratio stays at 2:1.

01:20:29 Ellen Walton: How often will they check?

01:21:45 Ellen Walton: THANK YOU CAROLINE!!

01:21:58 Nick Araya: Thank you guys! Great presentation and I can't wait

to see the revised ordinances!

01:25:13 Jessica Richards: Thank you @Nick Araya that's right! Wishful thinking 😊

01:28:23 Nick Araya: What are the new credentials for reporting? I agree that TRAQ should be a requirement!

01:28:59 Yael Pardess: Totally agree with James. Many wrong tree health assessments in tree reports

01:29:19 Mark Herwick: Project Survey: <https://bit.ly/oaktreesurvey2>

Email list: <https://bit.ly/oaktree-newsletter>

Project Website: <https://bit.ly/oaktreeprogram>

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01:29:49 Patrick Crooks: Thanks Caroline and Mark for the forum! Appreciate the discussion and dialogue.

01:29:49 Jessica Richards: Agree as well. I've seen reports claiming imminent failure that were totally inaccurate.

01:30:10 Jessica Richards: Reacted to "What are the new cre..." with 👍

01:30:14 Jessica Richards: Reacted to "Totally agree with J..." with 👍

01:31:01 Gay Crusius: Thanks!