



Guidelines for Arborist Reports

An arborist report may be required of applicants for projects where the prescriptive tree protection method is not practicable or when changes to tree protection are proposed after development activity has occurred, as per 11.60.030. Reports must be submitted by an arborist, as defined in chapter 11.80.020.B.3: “a professional listed as a certified arborist by the International Society of Arboriculture [ISA] or a consulting arborist registered with the American Society of Consulting Arborists [ASCA].” You can find a certified arborist on the ISA and ASCA websites.

ARBORIST REPORTS MUST INCLUDE:

1. Arborist information
 - ISA or ASCA number
 - Contact information
 - Name and signature
2. Date and time of most recent assessment
3. Tree information
 - Specify the tree’s species (taxonomic ID), size (DBH), condition, location, and extent of root cover
 - Describe the tree’s tolerance to construction impact based on its species and health
 - Identify any prior impacts that have occurred within the root zone
4. IF DEVELOPMENT ONSITE HAS NOT YET BEGUN (see Performance Path Tree Protection Plans 11.60.030.C.2):
 - Explanation of why the prescriptive path (11.60.030.C.1) is not practicable
 - Detailed description of alternate tree protection measures, **including remedial actions taken to mitigate negative impacts on the tree**, if necessary
 - Description of alternate construction techniques and materials, if applicable
 - If tree protection measures require an arborist to be onsite:
 - Provide stages of construction arborist is to be onsite
 - Copy of the contract for onsite inspections and final report
 - Final arborist report verifying the viability of tree(s) provided prior to final inspection
5. IF DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES ONSITE HAVE ALREADY OCCURRED, AND CORRECTIONS ARE REQUIRED:
 - Description of how the tree has been impacted by the onsite development activity
 - Explanation of techniques and materials used to ensure continued viability of tree to be preserved
 - Description of the proposed tree protection measures to be implemented
6. ALL REPORTS must provide explanation of how/why proposed protection measures will allow for continued tree preservation, and be submitted with a site plan that follows requirements as per 11.50.070. *Supporting documents, including photographs, are encouraged to be submitted with your report.*

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