

Oak Woodland Outreach

Agenda

Introductions

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Interim Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance 3325)

- Key Features
- Exemptions
- Permitted Removal
- Expires April 16, 2017

Draft Permanent Ordinance

- Where we are in the process
- Project scope
 - o Prohibit clear-cutting of healthy oak woodlands
 - o Residential development
 - o Size (or amount) of removal
 - o Slopes
 - o Land Use Management Plan for Oak Woodlands
- Outreach efforts and future hearing dates

Questions/Comments

Upcoming Outreach and Meeting Timeline

2016

- October 24: South County Advisory Committee Meeting
- October 26: San Miguel Advisory Council Meeting
- November 2: Santa Margarita Area Advisory Council
- November 2: Shandon Advisory Council Meeting
- November 14: Avila Valley Advisory Council Meeting
- November 14: Los Osos Community Advisory Council Meeting
- December 7: Community Meeting @ Atascadero Library
- January 4: Cayucos Citizens' Advisory Council Meeting

2017

- January 24: Update to the Board of Supervisors
- *February 23: Tentative Planning Commission hearing*
- *March 2017: Tentative Board of Supervisors hearing*
- *April 2017: Tentative Board of Supervisors Ordinance 3325 extension hearing*
- April 16: Interim Zoning Ordinance 3325 Expires

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Native Tree Interim Zoning/Urgency Ordinance

- Adopted by the Board on July 15, 2016
- Extended on August 16 - Expires April 16, 2017
- Key Features
 - ❖ Prohibits the clear-cutting of oak woodlands in the inland portion of San Luis Obispo County.
 - ❖ Exemptions range from diseased, dangerous, to small-scale removal and are not cumulative.
 - ❖ Permitted removal:
 - Minor Use Permit allows up to 10% tree canopy removal
 - Conditional Use Permit allows for greater than 10% removal
 - 25% or more tree canopy removal requires an EIR

Scope for Permanent Ordinance Approved by the Board of Supervisors

- Prohibit clear-cutting of healthy oak woodlands
- Tree removal within different zoning categories
- Size (or amount) of removal
- Tree removal on steep slopes
- Land management plans

Interim Ordinance and Oak Woodland Protection Ordinance FAQ Sheet

	Interim Ordinance	Scope for a Permanent Ord.	Notes
Applies to just oak woodland	No	Yes, see note	May includes other trees that are within the woodland
Applies to other native trees	Yes, see note	No	Includes California bay laurel, California sycamore, grey pine and Pacific madrone
Prohibits clear-cutting on steep slopes	Yes, see note	Yes, see note	Slopes of 30% or more
Allows for clear-cutting on other slopes	No	Potentially, see note	A use permit would be required for slopes less than 30%
Applies to individual trees	Yes, see note	No	There are permit thresholds based on canopy cover
Applies to healthy trees	Yes	Yes	
Applies to dead or diseased trees	Yes, see note	No	Exemptions apply
A use permit could allow for greater removal	Yes	Potentially	
Applies to residential development	Yes, see note	No	De minimus exemption applies
Management plans	No	Yes, see note	Provides for landowner to prepare a woodland management plan
Does CEQA apply?	Yes, see note	Yes, see note	For land use permits only