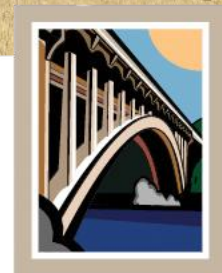


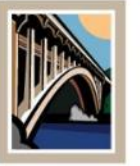


Introduction to Upcoming Tree Preservation Ordinance Update Process



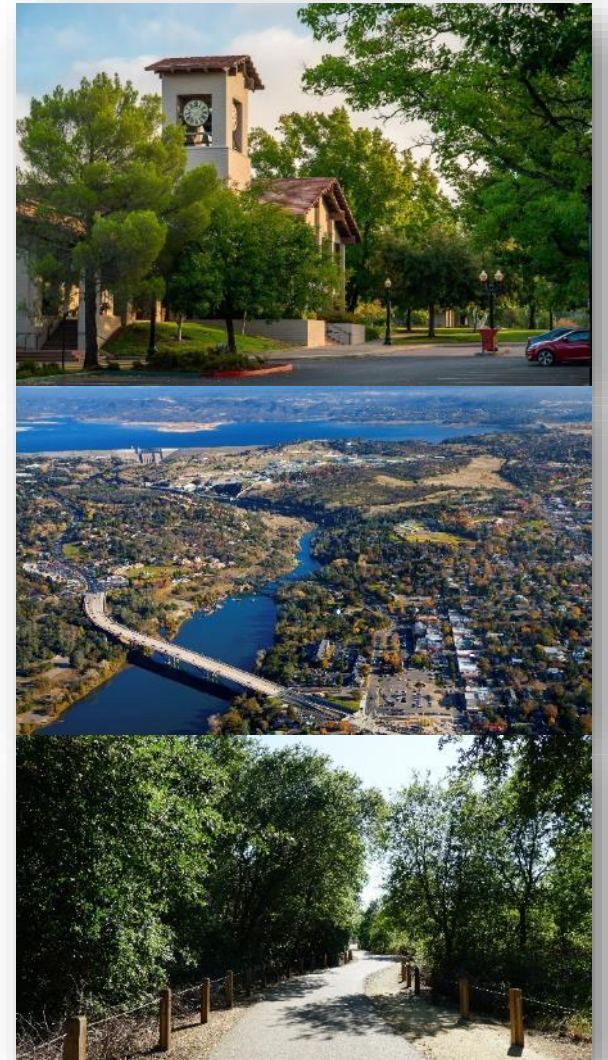
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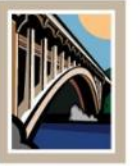


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- Our current tree preservation ordinance is over 20 years old (FMC Chapter 12.16)
- Staff and stakeholders have identified several challenges with implementing the current code
- 2035 General Plan outlines policies for tree preservation, planting of native species, and tree planting for shade, beautification, and heat island effect
- Update is intended to address gaps, ambiguities and incorporate best management practices

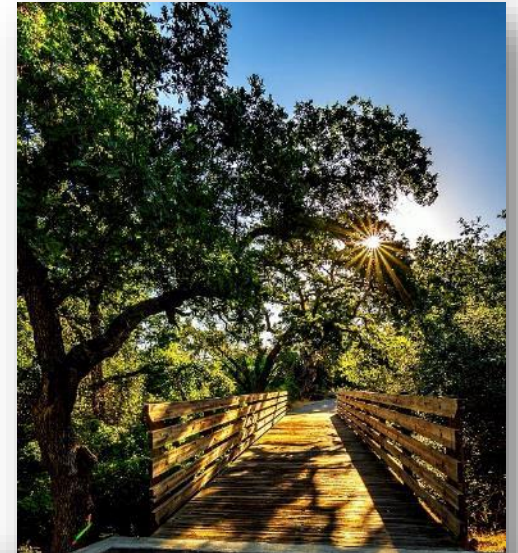


Trees are Valued Asset in Folsom



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- Create a visually distinctive natural setting
- Increase property values
- Absorb pollutants and improve air quality
- Intercept rainfall and reduce water runoff and soil erosion
- Save energy



Problems We're Trying to Solve

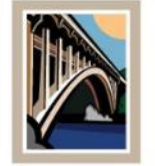


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1. Lack of clear and common understanding/definition of regulated activities
2. Expansion of regulated activities to address maintenance (e.g., pruning), removal and replacement/mitigation for required parking lot shade and street trees
3. Lack of reference to or incorporation of best management practices for tree preservation/protection



Planned Ordinance Update Process

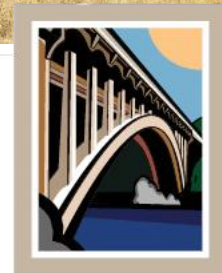


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- Involve consultants/experts to assist with research and consideration and vetting of potential solutions
- Conduct stakeholders interviews and host a community workshop to outline initial issues/concerns, summarize research findings, and request input about problems that should be solved (April 25th)
- Identify potential solutions, draft proposed changes to the Tree Preservation Ordinance and invite public review/comment (May/June)
- With public review comments, incorporate additional revisions and/or report those public inputs to the City Council for public hearing, direction, and action (June/July)



Comments/Questions?



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