



# AGENDA ITEM

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Reference No: **RO 24-80**

**Meeting Date:** November 05, 2024

**Status:** **APPROVED**

**Agenda Category:** ACTION

**CPO:** All

**Department(s):** Land Use & Transportation

**Presented by:** Stephen Roberts, Director of Land Use & Transportation

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**Agenda Title:** **Adopt the Washington County Native Tree List associated with A-Engrossed Ordinance No. 902 (Significant Natural Resources)**

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## **REQUESTED ACTION:**

Adopt the Washington County Native Tree List associated with A-Engrossed Ordinance No. 902 and authorize the Chair to sign the Resolution and Order memorializing the action.

## **SUMMARY:**

A-Engrossed Ordinance No. 902 amends the Community Development Code, related to regulating development in areas designated as Significant Natural Resources (SNR). A-Engrossed Ordinance No. 902 is posted on the County's land use ordinance webpage at the following link:

[www.washingtoncountyor.gov/lut/land-use-ordinances-progress](http://www.washingtoncountyor.gov/lut/land-use-ordinances-progress)

A-Engrossed Ordinance No. 902 references a Washington County Native Tree List. This list includes Category A (Native Trees) and Category B (Native Understory Trees and Shrubs). The list will be used to support implementation of revised Community Development Code Sections 422-9 and 422-10 as proposed in A-Engrossed Ordinance No. 902.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

### **Community Feedback (Known Support/Opposition):**

None known at this time

### **Legal History/Prior Board Action:**

The Draft Washington County Native Tree List was included in the Board's meeting materials as Attachment E to the Staff Report for the Oct. 1, 2024 public hearing on Ordinance Nos. 901 and 902.

### **Budget Impacts:**

None

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

[Resolution and Order 24-80 - Adopt Tree List Associated with A-Engrossed Ord. No. 902](#)

[Adopt Tree List Associated with A-Engrossed Ord. No. 902: Tree List](#)

Approved by the  
Washington County Board of Commissioners  
also serving as the governing body of Clean Water Services and all other County Districts



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Kevin Moss, Board Clerk

November 5, 2024

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Date Signed

**RO 24-80**

1 IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

2 FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON

3 In the Matter of Adopting the ) RESOLUTION AND ORDER  
4 Washington County Native Tree List in )  
Support of A-Engrossed Ordinance No. 902 ) No. 24-80

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6 This matter having come before the Washington County Board of Commissioners (Board)  
7 at its meeting of November 5, 2024; and

8 It appearing to the Board that A-Engrossed Ordinance No. 902 related to changes to  
9 Section 422 of the Community Development Code (CDC) regarding Significant Natural Resources  
10 contains a reference to a Washington County Native Tree List; and

11 It appearing to the Board that the Washington County Native Tree List, a list of trees and  
12 shrubs native to the Washington County area, has been developed for use in implementing CDC  
13 Section 422 and is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

14 It appearing to the Board that Board adoption of the Washington County Native Tree List  
15 is necessary for the general health, safety and welfare of Washington County residents; and

16 It appearing to the Board that the Planning Commission concluded its public hearing on  
17 Ordinance No. 902 on September 4, 2024, and made a recommendation to the Board, which is in  
18 the record and has been reviewed by the Board; and

19 It appearing to the Board that, in the course of its deliberations on Ordinance No. 902, the  
20 Board has considered the record which consists of all notices, testimony, staff reports, and  
21 correspondence from interested parties, together with a record of the Planning Commission's

1 proceedings, and other items submitted to the Planning Commission and Board regarding this  
2 ordinance; and

3 It appearing to the Board that it adopted A-Engrossed Ordinance No. 902 and related  
4 findings on November 5, 2024; it is therefore,

5 RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the attached Washington County Native Tree List in Exhibit  
6 A attached hereto is hereby adopted.

7 DATED this 5th day of November 2024.

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9 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON

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CHAIR KATHRYN HARRINGTON

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RECORDING SECRETARY

**WASHINGTON COUNTY NATIVE TREE LIST**

Relating to A-Engrossed Ordinance No. 902, amending Community Development Code (CDC) Sections 422-9 and 422-10.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Width of Canopy at Maturity (feet)
<b>CATEGORY A – NATIVE TREE</b>		
Alder, mountain	<i>Alnus incana</i>	10 – 30
Alder, red	<i>Alnus rubra</i>	30 - 50
Alder, white	<i>Alnus rhombifolia</i>	30 - 40
Ash, Oregon	<i>Fraxinus latifolia</i>	15 - 40
Aspen, quaking	<i>Populus tremuloides</i>	20 - 25
Cascara	<i>Rhamnus purshiana</i>	15 - 20
Cedar, incense	<i>Calocedrus decurrens</i>	12 - 30
Cedar, Port Orford	<i>Chamaecyparis lawsoniana</i>	6 - 30
Cherry, bitter	<i>Prunus emarginata</i>	10 - 30
Cottonwood, black	<i>Populus trichocarpa</i>	20 - 30
Crabapple, Oregon	<i>Malus fusca</i>	15 - 25
Dogwood, Pacific (aka Western Flowering Dogwood)	<i>Cornus nuttallii</i>	20 - 25
Fir, Douglas	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>	20 - 30
Fir, grand	<i>Abies grandis</i>	30 - 40
Fir, noble	<i>Abies procera</i>	40 – 50
Hawthorn, Douglas	<i>Crataegus douglasii</i>	12 - 20
Hawthorn, Suksdorf	<i>Crataegus suksdorfii</i>	12 - 20
Hemlock, mountain	<i>Tsuga mertensiana</i>	10 - 15
Hemlock, western	<i>Tsuga heterophylla</i>	25 - 40
Madrone, Pacific	<i>Arbutus menziesii</i>	20 - 40
Maple, bigleaf	<i>Acer macrophyllum</i>	45 - 80
Maple, vine	<i>Acer circinatum</i>	5 - 20
Oak, California black	<i>Quercus kelloggii</i>	30 - 50
Oak, canyon live	<i>Quercus chrysolepis</i>	20 - 70
Oak, Oregon white	<i>Quercus garryana</i>	30 - 70
Oregon myrtle	<i>Umbellularia californica</i>	3 - 30
Pine, lodgepole	<i>Pinus contorta</i>	20 - 45
Pine, ponderosa (Willamette Valley ponderosa pine)	<i>Pinus ponderosa</i> (var. <i>benthamiana</i> )	20 - 40

**Exhibit A**  
**Resolution and Order 24-xxx**  
**Nov. 5, 2024**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Width of Canopy at Maturity (feet)
Pine, western white	<i>Pinus monticola</i>	20 - 30
Red cedar, western	<i>Thuja plicata</i>	25 - 50
Redwood, coast	<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i>	30 - 60
Spruce, Sitka	<i>Picea sitchensis</i>	20 - 40
Willow, Scouler's	<i>Salix scouleriana</i>	30 - 40
Yew, Pacific	<i>Taxus brevifolia</i>	10 - 30
<b>CATEGORY B - NATIVE UNDERSTORY TREE/SHRUB</b>		
Blue blossom	<i>Ceanothus thyrsiflorus</i>	6 - 18
Elderberry, red	<i>Sambucus racemosa</i>	10 - 20
Elderberry, blue	<i>Sambucus mexicana</i>	10 - 18
Hazel, California	<i>Corylus cornuta</i>	10 - 20
Manzanita, hairy	<i>Arctostaphylos columbiana</i>	5 - 10
Osoberry or Indian Plum	<i>Oemleria cerasiformis</i>	5 - 14
Rhododendron, Pacific	<i>Rhododendron macrophyllum</i>	5 - 10
Serviceberry, Saskatoon	<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i>	6 - 10
Serviceberry, Utah	<i>Amelanchier utahensis</i>	5 - 9
Silk tassel, wavyleaf	<i>Garrya elliptica</i>	8 - 16
Wax myrtle, Pacific	<i>Morella californica</i>	5 - 18
Willows, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coastal</li> <li>• Geyer's</li> <li>• Pacific (Shining)</li> <li>• Rigid (Mackenzie's)</li> <li>• Sitka</li> </ul>	<i>Salix hookeriana</i> , <i>Salix geyeriana</i> , <i>Salix lasiandra</i> , <i>Salix prolixa</i> , <i>Salix sitchensis</i> ,	5 - 25

**SOURCES:**

OregonFlora Oregon State University: Trees within the Willamette Valley and Coast Range:

<https://oregonflora.org/garden/index.php>

City of Portland Native Tree List: <https://www.portland.gov/bps/documents/portland-plant-list/download>

CWS Plant List in Appendix A of Design & Construction Standards: <https://www.wnps.org/native-plant-directory/234:salix-lasiandra>

Metro Native Plants of the Willamette Valley: [native-plants-willamette-valley-yards-booklet.pdf](https://www.oregonmetro.gov/native-plants-willamette-valley-yards-booklet.pdf)  
([oregonmetro.gov](https://www.oregonmetro.gov))

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