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## Useful Information - Tree Removal Application Tracking

### 1. Track tree removal permits from the City of Lake Oswego

A) Get on list for tree removal applications for neighborhood -#  
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B) Explore the City website link for tree removal permits and mapping:

Map view <https://www.ci.oswego.or.us/Tools/planning/trees/#/map>

List view <https://www.ci.oswego.or.us/Tools/planning/trees/#/permits>

(Note: "list view" is more reliable and easier to navigate)

### 2. Procedure on how to comment on tree removal permits#

See Lake Oswego Code Ch 55.02.080 criteria: Will removal of the tree(s) have a significant impact on the character, aesthetics or property values of the neighborhood? (Describe the tree character of your neighborhood and how this tree removal would impact that character.)#

Will removal of the tree(s) have a significant negative impact on erosion, soil stability, flow of surface waters, protection of adjacent trees or existing windbreaks? How does it affect trees on adjacent lots?

Good info to include: environmental benefits- carbon sequestration and release of oxygen, improving air quality, reducing storm water runoff, wildlife habitat, wind and sun protection, conserving energy, filtering noise pollution, quality of life issues and neighborhood, historical and property value enhancement, significance of tree(s)#  
Good to also include photos of the trees and property for documentation

It is important to go to look at the tree and its environs.

### 3. Each neighborhood can organize and compile email lists of tree advocates– It is important that neighborhoods work together and support each other with comments. It increases awareness of removals by posting on Nextdoor - give clear instructions on sending comments to specific employees in the City Planning Department. Comments may be sent by email or online. Email comments are tagged on to end of application. Online comments appear in a different location. Therefore, there are usually more comments than which appear under online comments.

You may wish to include City Council Distribution on your submitted comments to the Planning Department - [CouncilDistribution@ci.oswego.or.us](mailto:CouncilDistribution@ci.oswego.or.us)

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