



# Town of Moraga Tree Preservation and Removal

A permit is required to cut down any *native tree*, *orchard tree* or *tree of historic significance*, located either on public or private property and having a trunk diameter of 5-inches or more measured 3-feet above the natural grade or a tree having multiple trunks with a total perimeter of 40-inches or more. Tree removal permits can be obtained from the Planning Department and require a fee of \$100.00.

**Native trees**, which are native to California and indigenous to the Moraga area, include the following:

- Bay Tree
- Oak Tree,
- Redwood Tree
- Toyon Tree
- Knobcone Pine Tree



**Orchard trees** include fruit and nut trees planted for commercial agricultural purposes.

**Trees of historic significance** include those trees that have historic value related to the heritage of the Town and designated by action of the Town Council. Please check with the Planning Department or Public Works for further details.

**Exemptions** to tree removal permit requirements include:

- 1.) The removal of a general tree located on residentially zoned property;
- 2.) The removal of a tree located on a residentially zoned property that is located 5-feet or closer to a structure; and
- 3.) The removal of a tree located within the public right-of-way and deemed to be hazardous by the Public Works Superintendent are exempt from needing a permit.

