

CITY OF STAGECOACH

Section 10.G. - Restrictions Against Cutting or Damaging Trees Planning & Zoning Ordinance #O-2019-68

Restrictions G. Restrictions Against Cutting or Damaging Trees

No person shall intentionally, recklessly, or negligently cut, remove, poison, or damage any tree which has a trunk diameter exceeding ten inches (10") (measured at a point three feet (3') from the base of the tree) except as follows:

- a) Any tree may be removed within twenty feet (20') of an approved construction project or building exceeding 350 sq. ft., within twenty five feet (25') of the centerline of a driveway, and within the septic spray field area of an approved aerobic system.
- b) Trees may be removed within twenty feet (20') of an in-ground swimming pool.
- c) Trees determined to be infested by the Southern Pine Bark Beetle may be removed.
- d) Trees determined to be diseased, severely damaged, or otherwise infested by any other species of borer beetle may be removed following approval by City Council.
- e) Trees which interfere with the installation or proper maintenance of a septic or sewer system, or electric, gas, water or other utilities may be removed.
- f) Dead trees that pose a hazard to life, limb or property shall be felled by the property owner.
- g) Trees which interfere with a surface water flood control plan drafted and certified by a licensed hydrologist or hydrologic engineer may be removed following approval by City Council.

No person shall remove trees of any size within fifty feet (50') of any major drainage watercourse or any watercourse designated as a floodway by the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency without prior approval of the Board of Adjustment.

A person seeking approval to remove a tree under subparagraphs (d) or (g) in this subsection shall request, in writing, an appearance before City Council to show cause as to the need to remove the tree.

No variance from this subsection shall be granted except by City Council.