

## Oak Tree Landscaping Limitations – Appendix B

Where Oak trees exist either on or adjacent to residential parcels within the Sun City Lincoln Hills community the following guidelines shall constitute limitations to landscaping and/or drainage modifications that might otherwise compromise the health of such trees.

## A. Terms; Definitions

- 1. Oak Tree: Oak trees comprise 15 species of the Genus Quercus, eight (8) of which grow to tree size and are found within Sun City Lincoln Hills, including Valley oak, Blue oak, Coast live oak, and Interior live oak. Oak trees planted by residents are not subject to the restrictions herein.
- 2. Drip Line / Root Zone: The drip line is defined as the outer limits of the tree canopy, which typically serves as the limits of the root zone or the limits of root growth.

## B. Landscaping I Drainage-Modification Limitations

- 1. Ornamental landscaping requiring consistent irrigation shall be drip only within the Drip Line or Root Zone of native Oak trees.
- 2. Trenching, fill, soil compaction, paving, or other changes to the drainage around native Oaks shall be discouraged.
- 3. Bark may be utilized for weed control within the Drip Line or Root Zones of native Oak trees subject to the limitations as established in Section 59 of the Design Guidelines. The placement of decorative rock or other materials within the Drip Line or Root Zone shall be discouraged.

#### C. Oak Tree Removal

- 1. A property owner shall submit an application to the Architectural Review Committee for approval prior to the removal of any native Oak tree from a residential parcel.
- 2. The Architectural Review Committee will review applications for the removal of native Oak trees on a case-by-case basis to determine whether removal is warranted.



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## D. Approved Native Plants for Oak Gardens

1. The following list includes acceptable native residential landscape plantings for areas outside of the Drip Line or Root Zone of native Oak trees within Sun City Lincoln Hills (this list is inclusive of but not limited to the following):

<b>Botanical Name</b>	Common Name
Baccharis pilularis	COYOTE BUSH
Carpenteria californica	CARPENTERIA
Ceanothus griseus	CANNEL CREEPER
Ceanothus griseus, thysiflours,	WILD LILACS
Cercis occidentalis	WESTERN REDBUD
Cercocarpus betuloides	MOUNTAINMAHOGANY
Fremontodendron californicum	FLANNEL BUSH
Heteromeles arbutifolia	TOYON

Botanical Name	Common Name
Mahonia aquifolium	OREGON GRAPE
Mohonia species	BARBERRIES
Muhlenbergia rigens	REGAL MIST
Rhomnus Californica	COFFEEBERRY
Rosa californica	CALIFORNIA WILD ROSE
Salvia clevelandii	SAN DIEGO WILD SAGE
Salvia leucophylla	COASTAL WHITE SAGE

Note: The plants listed are recommended, but not exclusively. Refer to Sunset Western Garden Book for more information on plant characteristics.