

Orange County (OC) Public Works Activity in Your Area: Removal of Infected Trees along Live Oak Canyon Road

Notification Date: 12/29/14

OC Public Works personnel will soon perform activities along Live Oak Canyon Road to remove nine (9) trees that are infected with a pest fungus. The type of tree infected and to be removed is the Coast Live Oak (*Quercus Agrifolia*).

Why is this work being performed?

After the discovery of a Coast Live Oak tree failure in the area, professionally certified arborists evaluated trees along Live Oak Canyon Road and identified trees that are affected by the pest *Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer* and *Fusarium* fungus, a beetle-transported disease that damages trees and shrubs. To protect other trees and surrounding vegetation, the nine infected trees will be removed.

OC Public Works is working with the certified arborists on the necessary procedures for removal of diseased trees so as not to affect other vegetation in the area. The certified arborists do not recommend replanting at any of the sites at this time.

Where will trees be removed?

A total of nine (9) trees will be removed in two separate areas (*please see map below*):

- Between Lambrose Canyon Road and Canyon Creek Drive (*8 trees*)
- Approximately 2,000 feet north of the Live Oak Canyon Rd / Trabuco Canyon Rd intersection (*1 tree*)

When will this work occur?

Crews expect to perform this work in **early January**. Note that this schedule may change due to weather or other factors.

Traffic Safety

We urge drivers, cyclists and pedestrians along Live Oak Canyon Road in the areas above to observe traffic safety signs and personnel during this work. Your safety, and the safety of crews performing work, is our top priority.

If you have questions or would like more information, please call OC Public Works at **(714) 955-0200**.

