



City of San Jose Community Forest Management Plan



The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) partnered with Our City Forest, San Jose State University, Master Gardeners of Santa Clara County, Audubon Society, and California Fish and Wildlife Service in 2016 to complete an urban tree inventory and create a long-term urban forest management plan for the city of San Jose. Funded by the Urban and Community Forestry Program and California Climate Investments, the 200 trees that will be planted and established in disadvantaged communities will not only help reduce greenhouse gas emissions, but make the communities more resilient to climate change impacts. The canopy will reduce the urban heat island effect and the associated energy costs. Additional vegetation will improve air and water quality by filtering pollutants from air and stormwater. As climate change exacerbates the effects of extreme heat days, efforts to expand urban vegetation will only enhance California's public health and resiliency of the natural environment.



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