

**AMADOR**

**Protections in place:**

	<b>Oak Tree Retention/ Replacement Provisions</b>	<b>Oak Protection During Construction</b>	<b>Heritage Tree Protection</b>	<b>Riparian Vegetation Protections</b>	<b>Oak Canopy Retention</b>	<b>Oak Woodland Conservation Program</b>
<b>General Plan Language</b>	The Scenic Element allows county to require retention of mature trees in construction of projects along scenic corridors	None	None	None	None	None
<b>Specific Ordinance</b>	None	None	None	None	None	None
<b>Voluntary Guidelines</b>	None	None	None	None	None	None

**Documents reviewed:**

**Date of Review:** August 2003

- Open Space Element
- Conservation Element
- Land Use Element
- Scenic Element
- Zoning Ordinance
- Subdivision Ordinance

- Grading and Erosion Ordinance
- Roads/Sidewalk Tree Ordinance
- Tree Removal Ordinance
- Voluntary Guidelines
- Other County Codes: Trees and shrubbery, 12.36

**Summary of Oak Protection Policies:**

Scenic Highway Element, 1973	The Scenic Element requires development applications within scenic corridors to submit a landscaping plan that shows the locations of existing mature trees and their ultimate disposition. The County may require retention of mature trees when removal is not essential to the construction of the project. Attempts by a landowner to circumvent this requirement by removing trees prior to a project application may result in a more stringent and expensive landscaping plan being required. The county may require planting of native trees and shrubs to ensure survival.
Open Space Element, 1973	Open Space element implementation will be carried out by continued careful protection of natural scenic resources and environmental assets in all future major public and private development.
Trees and Shrubbery, 12.36	This ordinance makes it unlawful to cut any tree growing on public land, or land not owned by him without written permission from the owner. It is unlawful to cut more than five trees without having previously filed with both the sheriff of Amador County and the Federal or State Forest Ranger. The notice of intention to cut trees must contain a statement of the number and quantity of trees to be cut, a description of the land, dates, signature and written consent

Zoning, Title 19	Applications for Planned Developments must contain a topographic map showing natural features including a description of existing vegetation, wildlife, and natural features, planned clearing, grading, excavating, and filling.
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**County Contacts:**

- No contacts
- Policies provided by county staff
- Policies discussed with county staff
- Policy inventory reviewed by county staff