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Subject: PLACER COUNTY TREE MORTALITY ABATEMENT PROGRAM  
Mitigation of Dead and Dying Trees

Dear Resident,

Placer County will be removing dead and dying trees throughout the county that have been killed or damaged from the recent drought and the subsequent bark beetle attack. We are sending the enclosed Right of Entry Permit to you because you **may** have dead and dying tree(s) on your property that need to be removed for public safety and to ensure the roads remain open for emergency access. Specifically, the County will be removing trees that could potentially fall and damage **County maintained roads and infrastructure**, vehicles traveling on the roads, or people.

The trees that we may be removing are located on private property, and are technically the responsibility of the property owner. If these trees fall and damage infrastructure, vehicles, or people, the property owner may be liable for damages. Returning this form promptly is critical because we will be starting a project in your neighborhood soon. Removal of these trees will be provided as a service, free of charge to you.

By signing the Right of Entry Permit you are allowing:

1. A forester, under contract with the County to access your property and mark any tree identified as dead or dying due to drought and/or bark beetle infestation that may damage a County maintained road or structure.
2. Placer County and its contractors to remove and clear trees that have been marked. All contractors will be licensed and insured.

Upon request, you may obtain a copy of the contract between the County and the contractor that will show their licensure and insurance. Contracts will include provisions for protection of your property and/or remediation of any damages in the unlikely event that they occur during operations. This work will be supervised by a project manager, County staff, and a Registered Professional Forester or Certified Arborist.

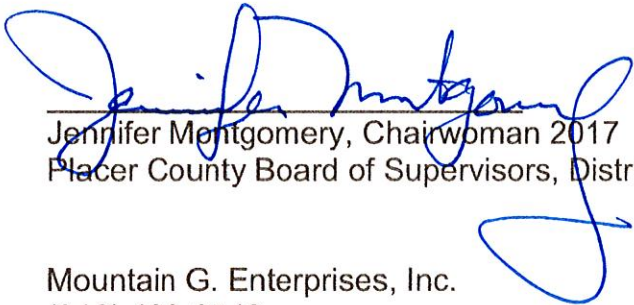
In addition to contractors hired by the County, this Permit also gives state agencies, such as CAL FIRE, permission to come onto your property to inspect the project area during all phases of this emergency project.

After we receive your signed Right of Entry Permit, you will see a forester marking trees for potential removal on your property. After the trees have been marked, contractors will be felling the trees. All slash and debris will be treated and stumps will remain. The manner of disposing of the trees and debris will depend on the condition of the tree and the topography. When you fill out the attached Right of Entry form you will have an opportunity to tell us how you would like the debris handled.

We appreciate your attention to this matter. It is important that you please provide your address OR Assessor's Parcel Number (APN), sign, and return the Right of Entry Permit as soon as possible to have your trees included in this project area. Trees not included in the project will remain the responsibility of the property owner. Without a completed Right of Entry form, the County cannot enter your property to remove trees. A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the County's Tree Mortality Coordinator (see below). If you send a message, he will return your call or e-mail as soon as possible. For project updates, please visit [www.Placertreemortality.com/](http://www.Placertreemortality.com/)

Sincerely,



Jennifer Montgomery, Chairwoman 2017  
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