



The CA Urban Forests Council and the Association of Bay Area Governments Pooled Liability Assurance Network (ABAG PLAN) invite you to attend:



RISK & THE URBAN FOREST

March 11, 2010 – 8:00AM Registration; 8:30AM Start Time
Joseph P. Bort Metro Center Auditorium, 101 Eighth St., Oakland, CA*

Agenda

- 8:00 AM **Registration & Refreshments**
- 8:45 AM **Welcome and Introductions** – Doug Wildman, Chairperson; Bay Area Urban Forest Ecosystem Council
- 9:00 AM **“How can you have it all—Greater Public Safety, Decreased Liability Exposure, and Retention of Wonderful Trees?”** – Dennis Yniguez
This presentation will address such issues as standards of care, foreseeability, and reasonableness in a defensible tree risk management program.
- 9:45 AM **–Assessing Tree Risk Policy – It’s not about the Tree”** – Tony Wolcott
A brief overview of the City of Albany’s tree program including: Tree Inventory, Recorded Work History, Assessing Health of Trees, and Monitoring the Streets will be presented. In addition, Tony will discuss the reality of trees in conflict with the public where safety concerns always come first.
- 10:30 AM **Break**
- 10:45 AM **"Proactive Risk Management for Municipalities and Government Entities"** - Gregory D. Pike
A brief overview from a legal perspective concerning what municipalities and government entities can do to assess and address potential problems involving the trees and properties owners and the general public including 1) municipality proactive risk management by performing tree surveys, 2) species recognition of "troubled trees" for municipalities and 3) tree preservation statutes.
- 11:30 AM **Panel Discussion and Entertain Questions**
- 12:30 PM **Informal Discussion & Lunch** – provided
- 1:30 PM **Adjourn**

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Lunch Options: Herbivore _____ Carnivore _____ Cell Phone _____

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SPEAKERS:

Dennis Yniguez Bio:

Dennis Yniguez is a Registered Consulting Arborist/Attorney and maintains an arboricultural consulting firm named Tree Decisions in Berkeley, California. In addition, Dennis has served on the faculty of the American Society of Consulting Arborists (ASCA) Academy for the past ten years.

Tony Wolcott Bio:

Tony is the Urban Forester for the City of Albany holding degrees in Horticulture and Arboriculture along with his Certification as a Master Arborist. Having worked in the private sector with Bartlett Tree Experts and in the non-profit sector co-founding Urban Tree Foundation, Tony enjoys teaching the general public as well as tree care professionals.

Gregory D. Pike Bio:

Gregory D. Pike has 23 years of experience as a trial lawyer. His practice focuses on representing individuals, corporations and other entities in personal injury, product liability and premise liability litigation. In the premises liability arena, he represents and advises clients involved with tree disputes including actual and potential damages caused by trees, tree cutting, removal, encroachment, and view and boundary disputes. Mr. Pike additionally works on cases that involve surface & ground water drainage disputes, landslide, earth movement and subsidence claims.

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1000 Oak St @ 10th St.
Oakland, CA 94607
7:30 AM to 6:00 PM (Wed – Friday)

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Oakland, CA 94607
Hourly Metered Parking

Alco Parking Lot
13th and Alice Streets
Oakland, CA 94604
Hourly rates

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1. Take the **I-880 S** exit toward **JACKSON ST** - go **1.01.6** mikm
2. Turn Left on **JACKSON ST** - go **0.10.2** mikm
3. Turn Right on **7TH ST** - go **0.10.2** mikm
4. Turn Left on **OAK ST**
5. Turn Left on **8TH ST**
6. Arrive at **101 8TH ST, OAKLAND**, on the Left

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