



Santa Cruz Bird Club

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Dear Honorable Mayor, Santa Cruz City Council, Director of Parks, Mr. Bernal and Mr. Condotti:

Thirty-five trees were removed from the Memorial Park Cemetery and many, more have been removed or are slated to be removed by PG&E this week and on Ocean Street Extension. Trees throughout Santa Cruz are also slated to be removed.

This collective impact should trigger an environmental review.

The County of Santa Cruz and their lawyers have required an EIR for tree removal (pending), and many other municipalities have effectively halted tree removal (e.g., a collection of Bay Area cities that hired litigation).

We urge the city to follow Santa Cruz County's example and DEMAND that PG& E follow a proper Environmental Review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the Heritage Tree Ordinance of Santa Cruz.

Its never to late to act or change course from previous decisions!

Respectfully,

Lisa Sheridan

President, Santa Cruz Bird Club

The Santa Cruz Bird Club (www.santacruzbirdclub.org) is a local non-profit environmental organization comprised of nearly 500 individuals who have a common interest in wild birds, their study and conservation.