

City of Colton City Tree Management Master Plan

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The City of Colton's Urban Forest Vision

- 1. Take Care of Colton's Existing Trees;
- 2. Select, Plant and Care for Additional Trees;
- 3. Engage the Colton Community;
- 4. Align with Colton's Priorities and Optimize Resources



Gaining Benefits From Colton Trees

- Inspire Healthier Communities
- Beautify Communities
- Provide Shade & Cooling- slowing down the Heat island effect
- Filter Air Contaminants
 - Capture and Store Greenhouse Gases
 - Collect Water & Storm Runoff
 - Save Energy
- Increase Retail Business
 - Increase Property Value
 - Reduce Sound & Noise

Colton's Tree Canopy Assessment Results

Tree Canopy	6.01%	+/- 1.06%
Grass, Parks, Lawns & Shrubs	16.8%	+/- 1.67%
Water/Riverbed	.6%	+/35%
Streets, Highways, Sidewalks	24.6%	+/- 1.93%
Building/Roof	12.2%	+/- 1.47%
Soil + Bare Ground	37.5%	+/- 2.17%

Air Quality Benefits From Colton's Tree Canopy

	Air Quality Improvement (Annual)			
	Benefit Description	Amount Removed	Value (SE)	
Air Contamination Removed	Ozone (O ₃) Particulate Matter – PM 2.5 PM 10 Sulfur Dioxide (SOx) Nitrogen Dioxide (NOx) Carbon Monoxide (CO)	15.30 Tons 1,487.33 Pounds 5.13 Tons 1,936.72 Pounds 1.54 Ton 563.62 Pounds	\$2,142 (\$379) \$4,428 (\$784) \$1,555 (\$275) \$7 (\$1) \$41 (\$7) \$24 (\$4) Total: \$8,197	
Carbon Dioxide Removed	Annually Sequester (CO ₂)	3,116.24 Tons Annual Benefit	6.24 Tons \$112,681 (\$19,945) Annual Benefit Total: \$120,879 (\$21,395)	
	Cumulative CO ₂ Storage	78,570 Tons	\$2,841,045 (\$502,867)	



City of Colton Tree Palette and Tree Selection Criteria, continued

Tree Selection Criteria:

- 1. Colton's Weather: Sun, Rain & Water
- 2. Hardiness to Climate
- 3. Tree Height and Canopy Spread
- 4. Location (e.g., Park, Street, Home)
- 5. Insect & Pathogen Resistant
- 6. Community Beautification













Engage the Colton Community

- 1. Thrive: Trees are carefully planted and cared for;
- 2. Protect: Trees are protected by holistic best management practices;
- 3. Nurture: Our community is devoted to the trees in the urban forest;
- 4. Connect: Trees connect our community, streets, shopping, parks, and open spaces;
- 5. Be Resilient: Trees are rooted in the larger ecosystem;
- 6. Be Diverse: Our forest is comprised of multiple species and different age groups;
- 7. Be Valued: Colton's trees are recognized as essential to our community well-being;



Align with Colton's Priorities and Optimize Resources

- 1. Align with Colton's General Plan and Ordinances
- 2. Support Colton's governance (e.g., Planning Commission)
- 3. Augment Colton's 'Cleaner Greener Community' initiatives
- 4. Driven by engagement and dialogue with citizens and business
- 5. Deliver value across the community over the near-term and long-term
- 6. Focus on creating healthy trees and resilient ecosystems
- 7. Supports public health and safety
- 8. Results in co-benefits in electricity, water, wastewater, & storm-water efficiency
- 9. Incorporates tree- and urban forest-Best Management Practices

Community Summary & Recommendations

- Improve Colton's urban forest by increasing the number of trees, tree canopy, tree species diversity, and strengthen the management, maintenance and stewardship of Colton's trees
- 2. Integrate Colton's Urban Forest Management Master Plan with broader Citywide planning, storm water management, waste water management, public health, transportation, and sustainability initiatives;
- 3. Engage the community and promote Colton's trees to support the Master Plan and increase public appreciation of the wide-spectrum of aesthetic, energy and water conservation, health, business, and property value benefits from public and private trees.

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