



TreePAC Newsletter – Oct-Nov. 2019

STILL TRUE: No time like the present to **Protect Seattle Trees!**

1) **Major, welcome post-election changes** to Seattle City Council in 2019:

Congrats to several new and returning Seattle City Council members (Alex Pedersen, Lisa Herbold, Dan Strauss, Tammy Morales, Andrew Lewis and Kshama Sawant), all of whom were endorsed by TreePAC and expressed support for Seattle trees during the campaign – now the hard work begins. You can congratulate them all and ask them to keep Seattle Trees and **passing the Seattle Tree Ordinance** as the new year begins:

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2) Keep going to the **Don't Clearcut Seattle** website and click Take Action – [keep submitting comments to the Mayor and City Council](#);

3) Tell 'The Mayor that doesn't care' Durkan at her Monday Nov 18th meeting tomorrow night to **Protect Seattle Trees!**

Register below- Doors open at 6 PM- get there early to leaflet and get into event.
At Seattle University, Piggot Auditorium, 901 12th Ave.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/maintaining-livability-in-a-boomtown-conversation-with-mayor-jenny-durkan-registration-79360570603?aff=thestranger>

4) **Like** and **Share** our Facebook and Instagram pages with your friends and family:

<https://www.facebook.com/TreePAC.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/dontclearcutseattle/>

https://www.instagram.com/dontclearcutseattle_/

How can I help longer term? Plenty of great ways:

A) **Join a local group** – besides [TreePAC](#) and [Friends of Seattle's Urban Forest](#), some great additional groups have been making a real difference the past several months:

[Neighborhood TreeKeepers Alliance](#) (FB page)

[Don't Clearcut Seattle](#) (site and action page – **yard signs** still available!)

[The Last 6,000](#) – **find, record and protect** Seattle exceptional and Heritage trees!

B) **Tree Ordinance** – Here's the ongoing [list of actions you can take](#) and points to include, including contact info. The first 5 pages of the current Urban Forest Commission draft ordinance linked here are an outline of its contents, followed by the actual provisions – please review and submit comments and suggestions!

Draft UFC revision to Council D7 draft - Tree Regulations:
[Tree and Urban Forest Protection and Land Use Regulations](#)

C) **Want to save a tree at risk?** David Moehring of the TreePAC Board has put together a great step by step guide on how – [click here](#).

D) If you have or know of a potential **Seattle Heritage Tree – Get it in the Registry!** More detail on how [here](#) and [here](#).

E) **Get a shirt, mug, sticker, pin or banner!** Besides the Don't Clearcut Seattle yard signs, you can show your tree spirit by wearing a shirt, using a mug, posting stickers and banners! - [check them all out here](#) – all proceeds after costs support TreePAC or Don't Clearcut Seattle – if history is any guide, they will likely be on sale again towards the end of November, keep an eye on the site, typically up to 35% off.

F) Any or all of the articles linked below in our News section(s) are fair game for supplying to the City Council and Mayor re tree protection – please remember when writing to the city that **existing** trees are usually **even more effective** than mass plantings, **if protected**. – we need BOTH.

Other Cities and places: tree efforts and situations:

[Rex Smith: Plant trees for your soul and Earth](#) – SeaPI, Oct 4

[Going to the Woods](#) – SeaPI, Oct 1

[Connecting fractured habitats has lasting eco benefits, study finds](#) – SeaPI, Sept 26

[Partners in Community Forest Conference](#): Nov 20-21, Cleveland OH

Social Media (send us more if you have them!):

Don't Clearcut Seattle: <https://www.facebook.com/dontclearcutseattle/>

Vanishing Seattle: [Instagram feed](#), regularly now including tree destruction

TreePAC on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TreePAC.org/>

DIRT Corps: <https://www.facebook.com/theDIRTcorps/>

Nature Consortium: <https://www.facebook.com/naturec>

The Seattle Lorax: <https://twitter.com/seattlelorax>

Seattle Nature Alliance: <https://www.facebook.com/SeattleNatureAlliance>

Trees For Seattle: [Facebook](#)

Trees and Health App: <http://map.treesandhealth.org/>

Tree Apps: Check out our [Tree Apps page](#) and identify the tree you are standing in front of! Also, the SoCoCulture crowdsourced [tree map page](#) here.

Local Tree Activist Groups and Events:

NOTE: these are tree-supporting area groups, if they do not have tree-specific activities, we will simply link to their events calendar(s). If you have additional event(s) please let us know so we can add them – TreePAC.

TreePAC: If you wish to become involved in working on an updated Seattle Tree Ordinance, please watch the homepage for suggested action steps, or the mailing list for similar updates: Please check <https://www.treepac.org/> or friends.urbanforests.org.

TreePAC Holiday get together!

Razzi's Pizza Greenwood, Wed Dec 4; 630pm until whenever
8523 Greenwood Ave N, Seattle, WA 98103 <http://razzispizza.com/>

Seattle Urban Forestry Commission:

Meetings are posted at the link immediately below, usually 1st and 2nd Wed each month from 3-5pm. *Next meetings are **Dec 4 and Dec 11, 2019**.* Meetings are held in Room 2750 of the Seattle Municipal Tower, 27th floor, [700 Fifth Avenue](#).

Plant Amnesty (Seattle area): Event pages: [Upcoming Events](#) [Classes and Workshops](#) [Adopt-a-Plant](#) [Get Involved](#)

Holiday Party: ***The BEST Holiday Party: Meeting of Like Minds***

When: Wednesday, December 11 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Where: Center for Urban Horticulture, 3501 NE 41st St Seattle, WA 98105

Friends of Seattle's Urban Forest – [Home](#) [Coalition](#) [News](#) [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#)

Bloedel Reserve (Bainbridge Island) – [Events listing](#)

Don't Clearcut Seattle (yard signs and more!) - dontclearcutseattle.org [Events](#)

DIRT Corps (Duwamish Infrastructure Restoration Training) – [more info](#)

E3 Washington (Environment, Equity, Economy) – [Western WA Events Calendar](#)

We Are Puget Sound: Discovering and Recovering the Salish Sea
[Seattle Town Hall](#) – Tues Nov 19, 730-9pm; The Forum, 1119 8th Ave,
(Entrance off Seneca St.) Seattle, Washington 98101

Local green groups/activists (cont.)

Earth Corps (events across Greater Seattle) – [Volunteer Calendar](#) (most env. restoration work events are on Saturdays, often several each day, not all in Seattle)

Forterra (Greater Seattle area) – [Event and local Work Parties, restoration](#)

Holiday Open House 2019: Thu December 12, 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Forterra Main Office, 901 5th Avenue, Suite 2200 98164

Green Seattle Partnership – [Become a Forest Steward program](#)

Friends of Seward Park – Monthly Meeting and activities - [2nd Sat of most months](#)

King County: [We're Planting 1 Million Trees by 2020](#)
[Drop in Saturdays, Tree Planting at KC Parks 1 Million Tree Effort](#)

Nature Consortium – West Duwamish [Urban Forest Restoration volunteer work parties](#), Tuesdays and Saturdays throughout the month, 10am-2pm.

Seattle Audubon – click here for their [Events Calendar](#).
Volunteer Open House: 2nd Tuesday of the month, 8050 35th Ave NE in Seattle, 6-7pm.

SER Northwest – click here for their [Events Calendar](#)

Seward Park Audubon Center – [Events Page](#)

Sierra Club of WA – Wed 12/4 @7pm: [National Forest Committee Meeting](#)

The Last 6,000 – [find them, record them!](#) [Latest Newsletter](#)

Thornton Creek Alliance – [Upcoming events here](#) (click through)

Trees for Seattle:
[Events](#) [Tree Work Parties](#) [Tree Walks](#) [Report Illegal Tree Removal](#) (scroll down)

WA Native Plant Society – [Central Puget Sound Chapter Programs](#)
(Seattle mtg 1st Tues of the month, 7pm; Bellevue 2nd Tues of the month, 7pm) – A plant identification workshop precedes Seattle meetings, at 6pm.

Local/PNW Tree News:

[Let's Plant A Tree! Lewis Creek Visitor Center, Sat Nov 23](#) – **Bellevue Reporter, Event Calendar**

[What's harming this Japanese snowbell tree \(and other tree questions\)? Ask an expert](#) – **Oregonian, Nov 10**

[Study to pave Mountain Loop heads to county, forest service](#) – **Everett Herald, Nov 10**

[Trees talk: How plants communicate to survive environmental threats](#) – **Everett Herald, Nov 10**

[Readers respond: Listen to the scientists](#) – **Oregonian, Nov 10**

[Mercer Island rotarians plant trees](#) – **MI Reporter, Nov 8**

[Timber interests propose pro-logging initiatives \(OR\)](#) – **SeaPI, Nov 8**

[Restoring the old-growth forest at Hutt Park in Edmonds](#) – **Edmonds Beacon, Nov 7**

[Fall is perfect for planting and transplanting woodies](#) – **Kitsap Sun, Nov 6**

[Lawsuit planned after giant forest project OK'd in Idaho \(ID\)](#) – **SeaPI, Nov 5**

[The Brockman Memorial Campus Tree Tour](#) – **UW Daily, Nov 4**

[Timber investment firm to sell off \\$3K in acreage \(OR\)](#) – **SeaPI, Nov 4**

[Hidden spring in Seattle park wins landmark designation](#) – **SeaTimes, Nov 4**

[Aging apple tree may be nearing the end of its life \(and other tree questions\): Ask an expert](#) – **Oregonian, Nov 2**

[Volunteer Forest Restoration Event](#) – **West Seattle Blog, Nov 1**

[Residents weigh in on Madrona Park Beach design](#) – **Madison Park Times, Oct 31**

[Former 'Plant Wizard' on vision for UW's ecological restoration: UW chapter of the Society of Ecological Restoration protects campus environment](#) – **UW Daily, Oct 30**

[It's not too late to check out Seattle's fall colors. Here's why the leaves are especially stunning this year](#) – **SeaTimes, Oct 29**

Local/PNW Tree News (cont.)

[How you can help restore forest at Edmonds' Hutt Park](#) – **MyEdmonds News, Oct 29**

[Trees ablaze with color](#) – **UW Daily, Oct 28**

[Ask an expert: Can I chip our dying red alder tree that has a bacterial infection \(and other tree questions\)?](#) - **Oregonian, Oct 27**

[Oregon counties' lawsuit over timber harvest goes to trial](#) – **SeaPI, Oct 26**

[Bothell-area man donates land worth \\$1.5 million to county](#) – **Bothell-Kenmore Reporter, Oct 23**

[HNTB employees clean up North Creek Forest](#) – **Bothell-Kenmore Reporter, Oct 22**

[Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services/Tree Board Meeting Thursday](#) – **Shoreline Area News, Oct 22**

[After logging 420-year-old tree, Oregon State announces new protections for old growth](#) – **Oregonian, Oct 22**

[Volunteers plant trees along pocket estuary to aid salmon](#) – **SeaPI, Oct 20**

[Trial to begin in \\$1.4B Oregon forestry management lawsuit](#) – **SeaPI, Oct 20**

[Secluded spots to experience the changing seasons](#) – **UW Daily, Oct 20**

[Soak up the fall warmth of the Daniel J. Hinkley Asian Maple collection at Washington Park Arboretum](#) – **SeaTimes, Oct 19**

[Letter to the Editor: Proposition 1 is an important priority for our growing city](#) – **Shoreline Area News, Oct 19**

[Notes from LFP City Council candidate forum](#) – **Shoreline Area News, Oct 18**

[Second Annual Arbor Day Celebration](#) – **MI Reporter, Oct 17**

[Why Shoreline's removal of 5,000 trees will be better long-term](#) – **MyNorthwest, Oct 18 (EDITOR – THIS IS A CROCK OF S***)**

[Shoreline becomes latest battleground for tree-saving activists](#) – **MyNorthwest, Oct 16**

[Rejection of Oregon forest ballot measures draws lawsuit](#) – **SeaPI, Oct 14**

Local/PNW Tree News (cont.)

[In the 1890s, a cedar tree beckoned Snohomish cyclists](#) – **Everett Herald, Oct 12**

[Whidbey park bond measure could save 40 acres of forest](#) – **Everett Herald, Oct 11**

[Volunteers needed to help restore Darnell Park](#) – **Shoreline Area News, Oct 9**

[Letter to the Editor: The Chaste Tree, though beautiful, may be a risk to our natural habitats](#) – **Shoreline Area News, Oct 9**

[Protecting woods and gardens from drought and wildfire](#) – **Kitsap Sun, Oct 9**

[Letters to the Editor, Oct. 2, 2019](#) – **MI Reporter, Oct 2**

[Stewards support the Illahee Preserve](#) – **Kitsap Sun, Oct 2**

[Oregon City parks chief, who faced anger for removing historic trees, takes new job in California](#) – **Oregonian, Oct 1**

[Purported tree poachers charged with causing Olympic National Forest fire by setting a bees nest ablaze](#) – **SeaTimes, Oct 1**

[Are drought conditions or boring insects killing trees in the Willamette Valley? Ask an expert](#) – **Oregonian, Sept 27**

[Tree-fall close call in North Admiral](#) – **West Seattle Blog, Sept 27**

[Get the forest foliated: Researcher investigates the behavior of local pests and defoliators in Washington](#) – **UW Daily, Sept 23**

[Silverdale's trees are better than DNR deal](#) – **Kitsap Sun, Sept 19**

[Westcrest Park Forest Restoration Project](#) – **West Seattle Blog, Sept 17**

[Pollock will put island's environment first](#) – **Kitsap Sun, Sept 17**

[From housing to trees @ 34th District Democrats](#) – **West Seattle Blog, Sept 14**

['It'll be gone forever': Silverdale residents express concern over forestland swap](#) – **Kitsap Sun, Sept 13**

[Urban Forest Restoration with FLIP](#) – **West Seattle Blog, Sept 11**

Local/PNW Tree News (cont.)

[Visconsi floats large apartment project in Bainbridge Wintergreen Walk development](#) – Kitsap Sun, Sept 8

['They're living history': Why these arborists search for Washington's tallest trees](#) – KNKX, Sept 7

[Volunteers are helping clean up Everett's forested parklands](#) – Everett Herald, Aug 26

[Help coming to make Central Kitsap streams friendlier to fish](#) – Kitsap Sun, Aug 5

Tree News elsewhere:

[In Northern California logging country, residents brace for a fight over their 'magical' redwood-lined road](#) – LA Times, Nov 11

[Officials want New Yorkers to watch for spotted lanternflies](#) (NY) - SeaPI, Nov 9

[2020 Wild Roots planting trees to protect our future](#) (MI) - SeaPI, Nov 9

[Historic live oak trees saved under new SC highway plans](#) (SC) - SeaPI, Nov 8

[Plant trees, store carbon, save the environment](#) (MI) - SeaPI, Nov 8

[Letter: Plant native species, protect pollinators](#) (DE) - SeaPI, Nov 8

[California has 33 million acres of forest. This company is training artificial intelligence to scour it all for wildfire.](#) (CA) - SeaPI, Nov 6

[They've managed the forest forever. It's why they are key to the climate change fight.](#) - LA Times, Nov 5

[Stalking the Endangered Wax Palm](#) – NY Times Nov 5

[NC Wildlife Resources Commission buys 6,300 more acres](#) (NC) - SeaPI, Nov 5

[Hey, Your Trees are Blocking My View \(of Trees\)](#) - SeaPI, Nov 4

[Mesquite trees seen as blessing, curse in parts of Texas](#) (TX) - SeaPI, Nov 2

Tree News Elsewhere (cont.)

[Leaf peep for science – I want your old photos of fall foliage](#) (ME) - SeaPI, Nov 1

[CT towns seek money to remove trees damaged by bugs](#) (CT) - SeaPI, Nov 1

[Woodlands tract to become part of Jefferson National Forest](#) (VA) - SeaPI, Nov 1

[AP Exclusive: Peruvian loggers charged in Amazon deaths](#) - SeaPI, Nov 1

[Volunteers plant hundreds of trees along the Betsie River](#) (MI) - SeaPI, Oct 31

[Group plans 500-acre park on Hudson River in Kingston](#) (NY) - SeaPI, Oct 31

[Devil's Den preserve expands by 77 acres](#) (CT) – SeaPI, Oct 31

[In the Fight Against Climate Change, Not All Forests Are Equal](#) – NY Times, Oct 30

[Value of trees disputed in land condemnation in Katy](#) (TX) - SeaPI, Oct 29

[Illegal logging drops in Monarch butterfly wintering grounds](#) (MX) - SeaPI, Oct 28

[Here's why YouTube content is calling to plant 20 million trees](#) - SeaPI, Oct 28

[Fire-ravaged forests get help from pine cone collectors](#) (NM) - SeaPI, Oct 26

[How to halt global warming for \\$300 billion](#) - SeaPI, Oct 26

[Opinion: New threat to beech trees that feed animals of the wild](#) (CT) - SeaPI, Oct 26

[MCFTA: Newest exhibits explore forests, fears](#) - SeaPI, Oct 25

[A spirited tour through Germany's Black Forest](#) - SeaPI, Oct 25

[St. Louis plans to get rid of 2,000 dead and dying trees](#) - SeaPI, Oct 23

[Why don't evergreens change color and drop their leaves every fall?](#) - SeaPI, Oct 23

[Activists fight forest timber sales](#) (IL) - SeaPI, Oct 20

[Beetle connected to ash tree deaths found in Portland, Maine](#) (ME) - SeaPI, Oct 17

[Trump administration proposes expanding logging in Alaska's Tongass National Forest](#) (AK) - SeaPI, Oct 15

Tree News Elsewhere (cont.)

[Using Old Cellphones to Listen for Illegal Loggers](#) – NY Times, Oct 15

[Conservationists seek protection of California Joshua trees](#) (CA) - SeaPI, Oct 15

[Jerry Walls: Chinaberry trees: fast-growing invasive tree in US](#) (TX) - SeaPI, Oct 15

[Don't cut down trees: Letter](#) (CT) - SeaPI, Oct 14

[As Sea Levels Rise, So Do Ghost Forests](#) - NY Times, Oct 8

[Forest at famed Idaho ski area facing wildfires, insects](#) (ID) - SeaPI, Oct 7

[West Haven adding porous pavement in 'tree pits' for safety and the environment](#) (CT) - SeaPI, Oct 7

[Volunteers fight invasive species by planting trees in UP](#) (MI) - SeaPI, Oct 5

[Yellow cedar trees denied for US threatened species listing](#) (AK) - SeaPI, Oct 4

[Restoring forests 1 tree at a time, to help repair climate](#) – Oregonian, Oct 1

[In Roxbury, chestnut tree could be key to bringing back species](#) (CT) - SeaPI, Sept 30

[Tree committee reminds residents about oldest tree contest](#) (IL) - SeaPI, Sept 23

[Ridgefield's dying trees get another \\$95,000](#) (CT) - SeaPI, Sept 23

Books and other media:

['Talking About Trees' Director Suhaib Gasmelbari Receives Variety MENA Award](#) – SeaPi, Sept 22

[Garden book review: 'The Tree Book: Superior Selections for Landscapes'](#) - Oregonian, Sept 9

[Berlin Film Review: 'Talking About Trees'](#) - Variety, Feb 17 2019

[How to Hike Japan's UNESCO World Heritage Pilgrimage Trail](#) – Afar, Spring 2018

[Escape From the Modern World on a Pilgrim's Path Through Japan](#) – Afar, Feb 2018

TreePAC organization info:

“Are you tired of pleading, asking, arguing and proving that trees have public value? Join TreePAC and make change happen. Together we will be a lobby as powerful as the sports lobby.” Cass Turnbull, TreePAC founder.

Mission: The TreePAC mission is to influence local government to protect, maintain and increase the Seattle-area urban forest.

Website: <https://www.treepac.org/>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TreePAC.org/>
Twitter: <https://twitter.com/TreepacO>

How to join (or donate) to TreePAC: <https://treepac.org/join/>
Who we are: <https://treepac.org/board/>

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