# TREE PLANTING GUIDE

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## **LET'S GET STARTED!**

Tree growth in this zone may cause outages and fires.

Utility Zone

Plant trees away from overhead utility lines.

Mature Height 20' Plant 20'+ from pole Plant 50'+ from pole Plant 50'+ from pole Large Tree Zone

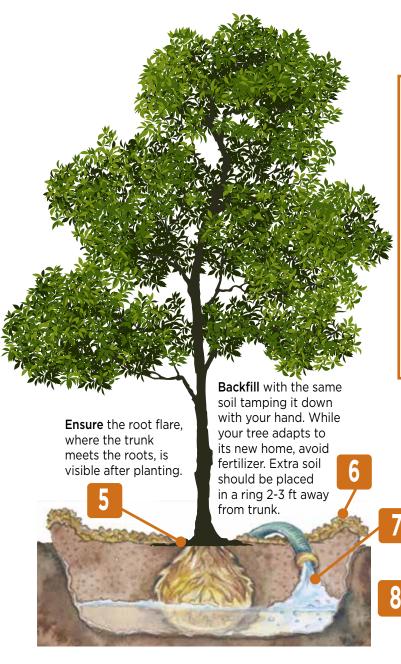
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Call 811 at least 3 days before you dig/plant your tree to have your underground utilities marked.



- Lay your tree on the ground & gently slide it out of the container.
  Loosen the soil & roots on the outside edge of the root ball.
  Cut any circling roots with pruning shears or scissors.
- Dig a shallow, broad planting hole. It should be 2-3 times wider than the root ball, but only as deep as the root ball. Place the tree at the proper height.



## DON'T FORGET!

Your tree needs 15-20 gallons of water a week for the first 2 years, especially during the summer. Leave a hose on a low stream for 15 minutes to equal 15-20 gallons of water.

Cover the entire loosened area of soil, including the soil dam, with 3-4" of mulch.

Water your tree to settle the soil. Remove the stake & tape from your tree.

Step back & admire your work!

# THANK YOU for adopting your tree.

#### By planting your new tree you are helping to:

**Reduce** your neighborhood's daytime air temperature. Tree-shaded neighborhoods can be 3-6 degrees cooler!

