

## ***Riverhaven Ongoing Tree Care, Preservation and Management***

***We all love the abundant trees in Riverhaven and rely on an Arborist to guide the Association in ongoing tree care, preservation and management. Our landscape crew maintains Riverhaven trees from the ground up to 8 feet. However, any tree care above this height limitation requires a specialist tree crew. In order to maintain a healthy tree ecosystem, Arborist recommends tree management which includes selected removal of specific trees and pruning.***

***In many instances when a subdivision's landscape plan is designed for a developer the project is over planted. Over planting is a way for a developer to fill empty spaces with no thought to future growth. This causes a problem for the future health of the landscape - especially trees planted close together and tree canopies competing with each other. This can negatively impact the health of both trees. Eliminating select trees allows other trees to reach a mature, upright and healthy growth that is currently being stunted by overcrowding.***

***In the Christopher Wash area overcrowded volunteer trees and dead wood have been and will be removed. Again, eliminating select trees allows other trees to reach a mature, upright and healthy growth that is currently being stunted by overcrowding. Arborist also advises leaving tree stumps in wash areas and banks to control erosion.***

***All of the above help Riverhaven maintain a healthy tree ecosystem.***

***Thank you,***