



## **Protect Folsom Oaks -- Immediate Action Needed**

PG&E plans to remove (Clearcut) a number of mature Oak Trees in the powerline corridors next to walking and biking paths. Over 300 trees in all (Oaks and others) Work is scheduled to start on NOVEMBER 1. Many of these Oak Trees are in the Oak Avenue Parkway (The Bike Trail Corridor) between Natoma Street and Blue Ravine – leading to BT Collins Park. The Corridor also extends across portions of the City and into American River Canyon. Some trees are on Private Property, some on City Land and some on PG&E property. In July 2020 PG&E clearcut a number of mature oaks near St. Johns without any Notice to the City or the Public. It appears PG&E is ready to Clear Cut the rest of the Corridor. NOTE – the plan and documents provided by PG&E are not clear, so more information is needed by the City and the Public – Before Removal can Occur.

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING – THIS TUESDAY OCTOBER 26 AT 6:00 pm. – City Council Chambers 50 Natoma Street – Folsom**

– An item was placed on the agenda to address cutting and the City invited PG&E to show up and explain what is happening. The City NEEDS YOUR INPUT. The City Council can then determine how to address this imminent threat to the beautiful mature Oak Trees

- **Public Participation is essential at the City Council Meeting to get answers regarding the tree cutting, why removal of the trees is required or the only option and to insist on an alternative to clear cutting of mature trees.**

Safety - - The safety of our community is a high priority and the trees and vegetation around the powerlines should be trimmed and hazards avoided - - PG&E's Clear Cut Approach is going too far and must be stopped to protect these mature oaks.

The Oak trees provide many important benefits to this City including including aesthetic value, shade, habitat to many bird species, sequester carbon, just to mention a few.

**Email the City Council and express your concerns and come to the City Council Meeting THIS Tuesday.** Demand Answers and a Halt to the Project until the City is assured it has the right answers.

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