

### San Diego's Urban Forestry Program

- Manages and Maintains
  - Over 200,000 street trees
  - Over 600,000 park trees
- Possible 1,000,000 plus private property trees
- 13% tree canopy cover
- 10 Years as a Tree City USA





# **Urban Forestry Departments / Partners**

- Transportation & Storm Water
- Parks & Recreation
- Development Services

- U.S. Forest Service
- CalFIRE
- Community Forestry Advisory Board
- Tree San Diego

- Economic Development
- Public Works
- Planning
  - Urban Corps
  - SDG&E

- Sustainability
- Public Utilities





# Tree Maintenance & Planting in FY '20

- 450 street trees planted; 888 park trees planted
- 920 tree removals
- 13,700 trimmed trees
- 3,900 TSW tree maintenance requests





# **Urban Forestry During this Pandemic**

- Limitations on Street Tree and Tree Maintenance Services
  - A Hold on Tree Planting
  - A Hold on Routine Tree Maintenance
- Some Parks remain closed
  - Pros and Cons to our trees
  - Cancellation of Arbor Day



#### **South American Palm Weevil**







### **Torrey Pines on Saratoga Av @ Froude St**

- Both trees dedicated as
   Landmark/Historic trees in 2016
- Planted in 1920s?

Address	Species
4633 Long Branch	Torrey Pine
4690 Greene St	Torrey Pine
4605 #1 Saratoga	Torrey Pine
4605 #2 Saratoga	Torrey Pine
4570 Saratoga	Aleppo Pine





# **Torrey Pines on Saratoga Av @ Froude St Timeline for Removals**

- Initial call made in early March
- Evaluations conducted in April/May/June
  - Dead Trees with noticeable insect pests
- SDGE review around utilities possible partial removals
- Complete removals from mid-June to end of June
  - Safety and possible spread of pest
- Replacement Tree Planting



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