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SUBJECT: LTI 26-001 Updated Tree Preservation and Planting Guide

The Town of Vienna has updated the “Tree Preservation and Planting Guide” and associated “Canopy Coverage Workbook” and Tree Lists. All changes to the application and enforcement of updates in the tree guide are effective to new projects submitted and approved for review on or after March 16 2026. Any project under review or construction prior to that date need only comply with the guidelines as found in the previous version of the “Tree Preservation and Planting Guide” published July 29th 2024.

The updated materials can be found at the following locations on the Town of Vienna’s website:
[Trees | Town of Vienna, VA](#) under “Trees and The Development Process”
[Checklists, Guides & Manuals | Town of Vienna, VA](#) under “Guides and Manuals”

Notable updates include but are not limited to:

- The application of the “Water Quality” multiplier specifically for qualifying tree species planted in; Storm Water Management (SWM) systems, Resource Protection Areas (RPA), Resource Management Areas (RMA) or any other system or feature specifically designed for the management or enhancement of water quality.
- Clarification regarding the inventorying of restricted tree species when found on development sites, and how they should be factored into canopy coverage calculations.
- Revised “Canopy Coverage Workbook” including canopy coverage analysis worksheet, tree inventory template, planting schedule and new sum of squares calculator for multi-stem trees.
- The tree lists have been revised with updates to the applicable multipliers for select tree species, qualifying canopy coverage area (CCA) for select tree species and the addition of species to the restricted trees list.

The following LTIs are superseded by the revised Tree Preservation and Planting Guide:

- 15003-lti-planting-season-waiver
- 17002-lti-tree-preservation-manual
- 19003-lti-tree-protection
- 22001-lti-tree-preservation-and-canopy-coverage

The full list of LTIs can be found here: [Checklists, Guides & Manuals | Town of Vienna, VA](#)

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