Butte County Draft Oak Woodland Mitigation Ordinance Flow Chart

Discretionary Project?

Ordinance is not applicable

Examples
Defensible Space
Public Road & Utilities Hazards

Project is exempt - no requirements

Examples
Projects under HCP/NCCP
Affordable Housing H&SC
Ag processing

Is the project Exempt?

YES

Conduct Evaluation

XX-5 Alternate Project Design and Review required where project is inconsistent with ordinance

NO

Oak Canopy Impacts?
Removal of 24" DBH trees, more than 10% canopy, 10 trees severely degraded (> 10%)

YES

Oak Canopy Mitigation (excludes onsite replanting)

Ratio of 2:1
Options:
- Conservation Easement
- Land Trust
- Mitigation Bank
- State Oak Fund payment

>10% to 50% oak canopy removal

Ratio of 3:1
Options:
- Conservation Easement
- Land Trust
- Mitigation Bank
- State Oak Fund payment

> 50% to < 70% oak canopy removal

Projects that remove 70 percent or greater oak canopy are deemed as having a significant impact to oak woodlands and are subject to project-specific CEQA review

70% or greater oak canopy removal

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Less than Significant - No replacement

NO

Minimum replanting within Conservation Easement, Land Trust or Mitigation Bank
Replacement Density: 200 trees (saplings or one-gallon) per acre density
Acorn conversion: 3 acorns per 1 replacement tree = 600 acorns per acre density

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