

# FALLS CREEK RANCH ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

## **TREE/BRUSH REMOVAL SUMMARY FOR NON-FIRE MITIGATION WORK**

Following is a brief summary of FCR/ACC rules and guidelines relating to vegetation removal from owner lots:

1. FCR members have common interests in protecting their personal properties as well as shared common property. **As with all ACC projects, neighbors should always contact neighbors within sight of the proposed tree removal prior to any work being done.** This contact is for notification only, not neighbor approval. Our goal is to balance the maintenance of the Ranch environment's natural state as much as possible (as stated in our Covenants) with fire prevention and neighbor privacy.
2. FCR Covenant 18 states: "Unless allowed by the standards and policies adopted by the Board of Directors regarding fire control, no standing trees or brush shall be cut on lots without approval by the Architectural Control Committee or on Common Property without approval by the Common Property Committee. Any required approvals shall be obtained in writing in advance of any cutting and shall specify what may be cleared."
3. FCR members must verify that planned activities are clearly within their lot. Clear-cutting of trees is **not** allowed on your lot.
4. ACC approval of tree removal from your lot is required for the following reasons (per Covenant 18): personal safety, aesthetics or elimination of dead or diseased trees **not related to fire-mitigation**. Please use the attached ACC tree removal approval form.
5. Trees/vegetation to be removed as part of new building construction/remodel projects must be identified in the site plan portion of the ACC Application Packet as part of your improvement project application process.
6. Fire mitigation on private lots shall be conducted according to FCR's approved Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) guidelines and recommendations (found on the FCR website). Such work is to be coordinated with, and approved by, the Ranch Firewise Ambassador. ACC approval is **not** required for planned fire mitigation work or removal of trees/brush as required by insurance or mortgage companies. Always inform nearest neighbors as a courtesy prior to commencing mitigation.
7. No owner may remove any trees/brush on common property without review and written approval by the Common Property Committee Chair. Such work is expected to be conducted in conjunction with our Firewise Team.

The ACC may be contacted with questions.

*Approved by FCR Board of Directors, Eff. March 24, 2022*

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**TREE/BRUSH REMOVAL APPROVAL FORM  
FOR NON-FIRE MITIGATION WORK**

Lot owner name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_ Lot # \_\_\_\_\_

To encourage the courteous and friendly nature of the FCR community, lot owners should notify neighbors of proposed tree removal prior to any work beginning. Such notification may be done via email with a copy provided to the ACC.

Number and type of trees to be removed: \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose of work: (please circle reason)

- Safety
- Aesthetics
- Elimination of dead or diseased trees

Neighbors notified:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Lot owner signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**ACC Approval/Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

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ACC Member signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

ACC Member signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

ACC Co-Chair signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_