

**TO:** JAMES L. APP, CITY MANAGER  
**FROM:** ROBERT A. LATA, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR  
**SUBJECT:** REQUEST TO REMOVE ONE OAK TREE - TRACT 2611  
(J.M. WILSON DEVELOPMENT)  
**DATE:** JANUARY 4, 2005

**Needs:** For the City Council to consider a request to remove one 21-inch diameter Blue Oak Tree.

**Facts:**

1. J.M. Wilson Development has submitted a Tract Map to subdivide an 11-acre parcel into 45 lots for single family residential development.
2. The oak tree proposed for removal is within the existing right-of-way of South River Road.
3. An Arborist Report was submitted by Chip Tamagni of A&T Arborist, where he has rated the tree as a 4 on a scale of 1-10. The report describes a 4-rating as a tree that has had minor past failures, excessive dead wood, or minor structural defects that can be mitigated with pruning.
4. The tree is identified with a red tape and an aluminum tag with the No. 1 on it.
5. The City Engineer has identified that the tree is located within the right-of-way of South River Road and recommends that the tree be removed (see attached memo from the City Engineer).

**Analysis**

**And Conclusion:** Based on the tree being within the right-of-way of South River Road and based on the Arborist Report indicating that the tree is not in good health, it would seem reasonable to allow the removal of the tree. The developer will be required to plant three (4) 1.5-inch diameter blue oak trees as a replacement for the removed tree.

**Policy**

**Reference:** Paso Robles Municipal Code Section 10.01

**Fiscal**

**Impact:** None.

- Options:**
- a.. Adopt Resolution No. 05-xx approving the oak tree removal request based on the tree being located within the right-of-way of South River Road and not being in good health, and require a replacement ratio of four (4) 1.5-inch diameter Blue Oak trees (or other combination of larger diameter trees totaling 5-inches) to be planted in a location that is appropriate for the species of tree as determined by a horticulture professional (e.g., Blue Oaks should be planted in arid environment).
  - b. Amend, modify, or reject the above option.

Attachments:

1. Vicinity Map
2. Arborist Report
3. Location Map
4. Photo 1: Tree within right of way
5. Photo 2: Close up of tree
6. Resolution to Approve

RESOLUTION NO. 05-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES  
AUTHORIZING THE REMOVAL OF ONE OAK TREE WITHIN TRACT 2611  
(J.M. WILSON DEVELOPMENT)

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WHEREAS, the City has received an application submitted by North Coast Engineering, on behalf of J.M. Wilson Development, to remove one (1) Blue Oak tree (the tree has a diameter of 21-inches) located within the right of way adjacent to the 11-acre property located at 1650 South River Road; and

WHEREAS, the removal of the tree is in conjunction with Tentative Tract 2611, an application to subdivide the property into twenty (45) single family residential lots; and

WHEREAS, the tree is located within the right of way and will need to be removed in order to the required improvements to South River Road; and

WHEREAS, Chip Tamagni of A&T Consulting Arborists has prepared an Arborist Report, dated May 10, 2004, which recommends removal of the tree based on the request for the road improvements, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles does hereby:

1. Authorize the removal of one (1) 21-inch Blue Oak tree within the right-of-way of South River Road, adjacent to Tentative Tract 2611;
2. Require the applicant to plant four (4) 1.5-inch diameter Blue Oak trees within the tract. The replacement trees need to be planted in a location that is appropriate for the species of tree as determined by a horticulture professional (e.g., Blue Oaks should be planted in arid environment).

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles this 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 2005 by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

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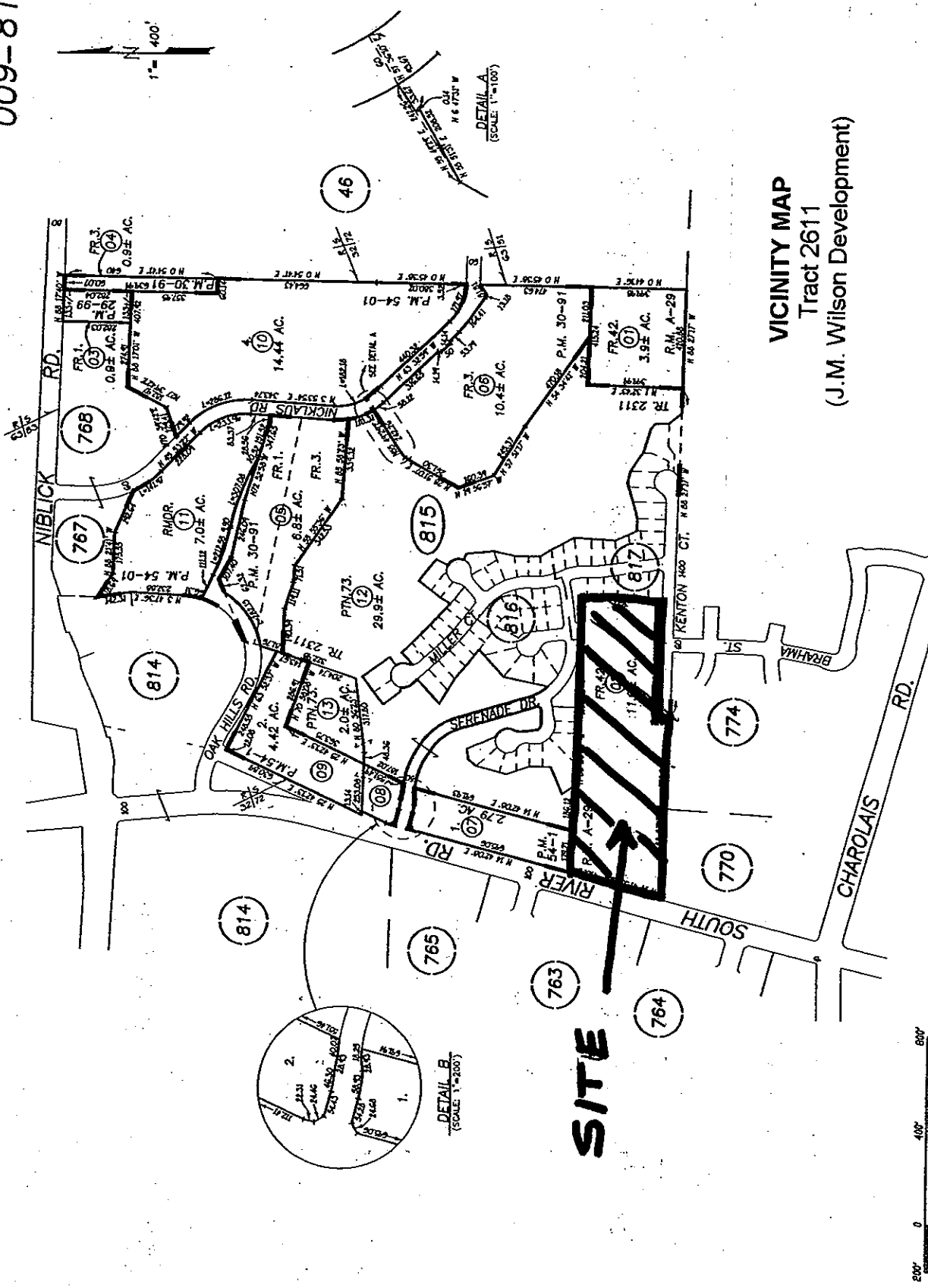
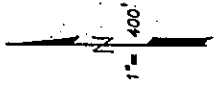
Frank R. Mecham, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sharilyn M. Ryan, Deputy City Clerk

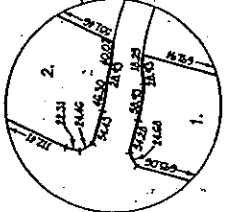
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VICINITY MAP  
Tract 2611  
(J.M. Wilson Development)

CITY OF PASO ROBLES  
ASSESSOR'S MAP, COUNTY OF  
SAN JUAN, CALIFORNIA

TRACT NO. 2311, R.M. Bk. 18, Pg. 83.



DETAIL B  
(SCALE 1"=200')

**SITE**



THIS MAP IS PREPARED FOR  
ASSESSMENT PURPOSES ONLY

REVISIONS	TECH	DATE

009-761

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Darren Nash

**FROM:** John Falkenstien

**SUBJECT:** Oak Tree Removal, South River Road  
Tentative Tract 2611

**DATE:** December 21, 2004

Tract 2611 fronts along South River Road. South River Road is classified as an Arterial Street in the Circulation Element of the General Plan and is proposed to be improved along the frontage of the subdivision in accordance with City Arterial Standard A-1. It will be necessary to remove an existing oak tree to accommodate improvements to South River Road along the frontage of the property.

The eventual widening of South River Road will provide four lanes and a center landscaped median. The applicant will be required to enter into an agreement to participate in the construction of a median in South River Road from Charolais Road to Serenade Drive at the time that the property to the north develops.



Alvarez & Tamagni  
Arborists and  
Vegetation Management

P.O. Box 1311, Templeton, California 93465

RECEIVED  
DEC 09 2004  
BY:

12-08-04  
J.M. Wilson Development  
444 Higuera Street, Suite 200  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401  
782-8155

RECEIVED  
DEC 10 2004  
Community Development

This report is in regards to the required South River Road street improvements for Tract 2611 in Paso Robles, California. One tree is limiting these improvements at this time. It is located on the east side of South River Road approximately 300 feet south of the intersection of River Bank Road. The tree is a blue oak (*Quercus douglasii*) and is 21 inches in diameter. The canopy spread is approximately 20 feet by 20 feet. Its condition is 4 out of 10 (described below). The tree is situated in the actual planned roadway and will have to be removed. The tree has an aluminum tag with "#1" with red tape attached to it.

### Tree Rating System

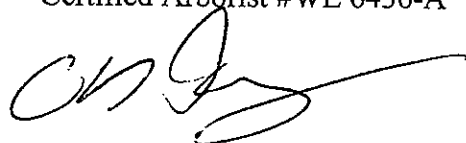
A rating system of 1-10 was used for visually establishing the overall condition of each tree on the spreadsheet. The rating system is defined as follows:

<u>Rating</u>	<u>Condition</u>
0	Deceased
1	Evidence of massive past failures, extreme disease and is in severe decline.
2	May be saved with attention to class 4 pruning, insect/pest eradication and future monitoring.
3	Some past failures, some pests or structural defects that may be mitigated by class IV pruning.
4	May have had minor past failures, excessive deadwood or minor structural defects that can be mitigated with pruning.
5	Relatively healthy tree with little visual structural and or pest defects.
6	Healthy tree that probably can be left in its natural state.
7-9	Have had proper arboricultural pruning and attention or have no apparent structural defects.
10	Specimen tree with perfect shape, structure and foliage in a protected setting (i.e. park, arboretum).

Please let us know if we can be of any future assistance to you for this project.

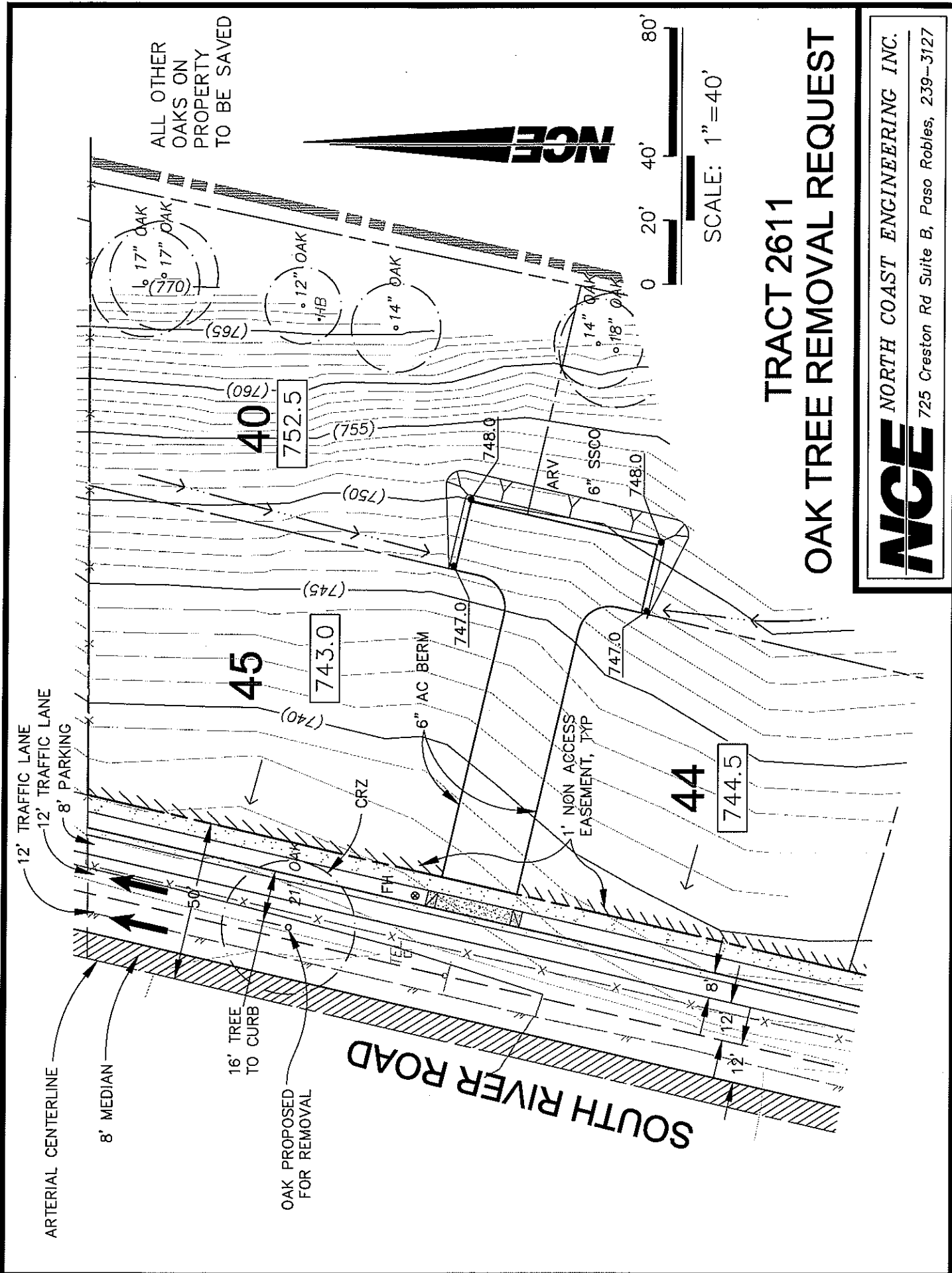
Steven G. Alvarez  
Certified Arborist #WC 0511

Chip Tamagni  
Certified Arborist #WE 6436-A

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chip Tamagni', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.



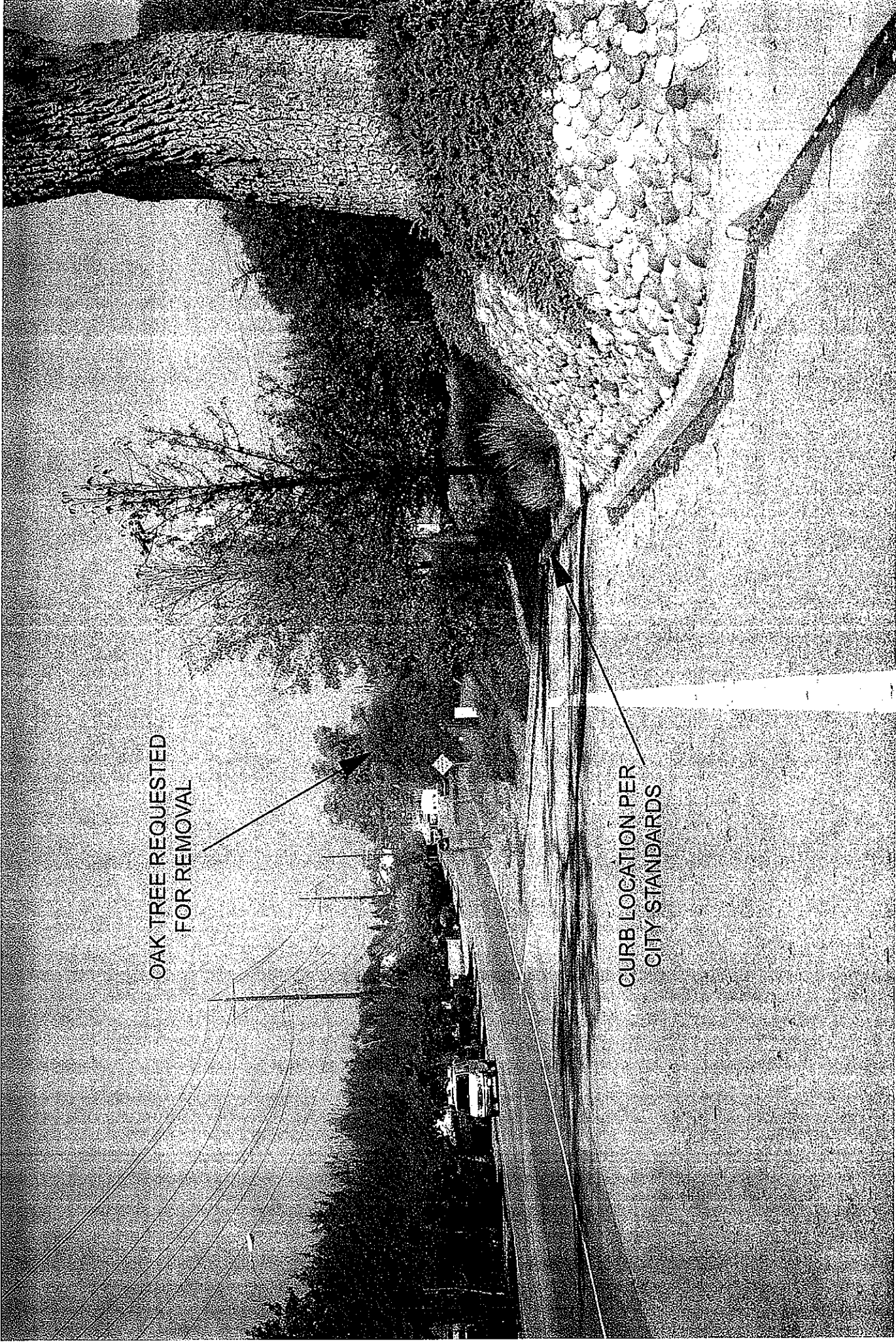




ALL OTHER  
OAKS ON  
PROPERTY  
TO BE SAVED

# TRACT 2611 OAK TREE REMOVAL REQUEST

**NCE** NORTH COAST ENGINEERING INC.  
725 Creston Rd Suite B, Paso Robles, 239-3127



OAK TREE REQUESTED  
FOR REMOVAL

CURB LOCATION PER  
CITY STANDARDS

OAK REQUESTED  
FOR REMOVAL



ROAD  
NARROWS  
500 FT

