Seattle Urban Forest Management Plan
2011 Workplan

Goal	Objective
TREE RESOURCE	
Manage trees to promote health and longevity	Continue restoration on 590 acres of forested parkland. Begin restoration on an additional 80 acres (Parks)
	Maintain 2,000 trees on developed parkland on an 18-year cycle Inspect 500 trees for risk (Parks)
	Maintain 3,000 Department of Transportation-managed street trees on a 14-year cycle (SDOT)
	Prune trees away from 600 miles of electrical distribution lines for electrical safety and reliability (SCL)
Increase canopy cover and environmental benefits	**Trees planted and maintained by the City:** Plant 400 trees in developed parks Meet 2 for 1 Tree Replacement Policy (Parks)
	Plant 800 street trees with Bridging the Gap levy funding Plant trees as a component of capital projects and preserve and protect existing mature trees Meet 2 for 1 Tree Replacement Policy (SDOT)
	Replace trees removed for the Theater Commons and new projects Complete the 2007-2008 Tree Replacement Plan Meet 2 for 1 Tree Replacement Policy (Seattle Center)
	Trees planted and maintained by residents: Trees for Neighborhoods: Assist community members in areas with low canopy cover to plant and care for 1,200 trees (OSE, SCL, SPU)
	Identify additional incentive opportunities (OSE)
MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK	
Improve management of trees on private property through incentives & regulations	Adopt updated street tree codes to strengthen regulations related to maintenance of privately maintained trees in the right-of-way (SDOT)
	Work with City Council and Mayor to determine preferred private property tree regulations approach and adoption timeline (DPD)
Track implementation of the Urban Forest Plan	Monitor performance annually and issue an annual Progress Report (OSE)
Implement resource management tools	Complete tree inventory of all plots, analyze and publicize data (OSE)
	Develop citywide tree care metrics: - Continue to refine tree care metrics and reports on the long-term impact on trees (SDOT) - Integrate tree crew work into Parks work load management system (Parks)
	Assess vegetation management conditions across SCL electrical grid to identify opportunities to improve tree management and reliability (SCL) Continue to work with SCL on annual revisions to the street tree list (SDOT) Update ROW Vegetation Management Plan to add best management practices (SDOT)
Facilitate interdepartmental cooperation	Convene Urban Forest interdepartmental team monthly (OSE)
	Identify opportunities for better coordination and efficiencies in managing ROW trees: - Continue monthly meetings with SCL to discuss issues related to trees under power lines (SDOT) - Continue to work collaboratively to improve street tree management (SCL)

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COMMUNITY FRAMEWORK	
Enhance awareness of the urban forest as a community resource	Develop an urban forest curriculum to raise awareness of school children of the benefits of trees (Parks) Urban Orchard Stewards: secure grant funding, train current volunteers in orchard management, recruit nine more stewards in three orchards, host five community events (OSE/Parks) Tree Ambassadors: Recruit and train ten volunteers in five neighborhoods, support volunteers in development and implementation of neighborhood plans (OSE)
Increase community engagement in urban forest management	Recruit and manage 95,000 hours of volunteer support through the Green Seattle Partnership (Parks)
	Support over 20,000 hours of youth employment programs at work at restoration sites Create paid youth crews internal to Parks Provide K-12 program to 15 schools (Parks)
	Expand Forest Steward community restoration leader program by five leaders Hold two 7-session training projects, increase training scope (Parks)
	Continue to support neighborhood groups who apply for grants to plant trees or install landscapes. Develop program to include volunteers in tree planting activities during Arbor Day (SDOT)
	Staff the Urban Forestry Commission and facilitate their advice on policies, programs, and regulations to the Mayor and City Council (OSE)
	Support community awareness and engagement foundation necessary to meet canopy goals (OSE)