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*Hardwood
Rangeland Policies
for California
Counties*

Oak Woodland Policies of 41 California Counties

Current California State Board of Forestry oak conservation policy supports a statewide program of research and education known as the Integrated Hardwood Range Management Program, and provides strong encouragement to local governments to develop their own policies responsive to ecological, economic, and political issues impacting hardwood rangelands. Shown below is a table of counties with significant hardwood rangeland acreage, and the current policy approaches being used.

Overview of Project and Data Collection Methodology

County	Hardwood Rangeland (acres)	Voluntary Guidelines	General Plan Language	Implementing ordinance
<u>Alameda</u>	131,000		scenic areas only	
<u>Amador</u>	178,000		scenic areas only	
<u>Butte</u>	230,000			subdivisions only
<u>Calaveras</u>	316,000	X		
<u>Colusa</u>	149,000	X		
<u>Contra Costa</u>	81,000		discretionary projects with heritage trees	tree protection ordinance for all areas with 4 or more oaks >6.5" dbh
				zoning and

<u>El Dorado</u>	178,000	X	X	subdivision ordinance
<u>Fresno</u>	493,000	X	scenic areas and landmark trees	
Glenn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Co. Plans</u> • <u>Voluntary Guidelines</u> 	133,000	X		
<u>Kern</u>	721,000			
Lake <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Co. Plans</u> • <u>5-yr. Assessment</u> 	119,000	X		waterway zoning only
Los Angeles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Co. Plan</u> • <u>Oak Ordinance</u> 	70,000			oak tree ordinance
Madera <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Co. Plan</u> • <u>Voluntary Guidelines</u> 	283,000	X	landmark trees only	
Marin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Co. Plan</u> • <u>Native Tree Ordinance</u> 	62,000	X	X	tree protection ordinance (zoning)
<u>Mariposa</u>	299,000	X		

<u>Mendocino</u>	374,000		landmark trees only	
<u>Merced</u>	96,000			
<u>Monterey</u>	921,000		including agriculture	zoning ordinance
<u>Napa</u>	159,000		X	erosion hazard and municipal watershed zoning only
<u>Nevada</u>	139,000		X	within land use code and site standards
<u>Orange</u>	40,000			
<u>Placer</u>	105,000		X	tree ordinance
<u>Riverside</u>	72,000		on ½ parcels above 5,000' only	tree removal ordinance
<u>Sacramento</u>	23,000		X	tree preservation ordinance
<u>San Benito</u>	437,000		when removal approaches a canopy retention standard or on slopes >/ 30%	woodland management ordinance
<u>San Bernardino</u>	18,000		X	plant protection ordinance
<u>San Diego</u>	320,000		on 5 acre lots only	grading ordinance
<u>San Joaquin</u>	39,000		X	tree ordinance
San Luis Obispo • <u>Co. Plan</u>	724,000	X	in some zones	zoning ordinance

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Oak Mgt. Plan</u> 				
<p>Santa Barbara</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Co. Plan</u> • <u>Conser. Element</u> • <u>Oak Prot. Article</u> • <u>Oak Grading Ordinance</u> 	345,000	X for agriculture	including agriculture	deciduous oak ordinance
<u>Santa Clara</u>	321,000	<u>X for golf courses</u>	Heritage trees and 12" trees in hillside zones	tree protection ordinance
<p>Shasta</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Co. Plan</u> • <u>Voluntary Guidelines</u> 	287,000	X		
<u>Solano</u>	45,000			
<u>Sonoma</u>	211,000		valley oak district only	zoning ordinance
<u>Stanislaus</u>	145,000		all discretionary projects	
<u>Tehama</u>	633,000	X		
<u>Tulare</u>	536,000		along scenic highway only	
<u>Tuolumne</u>	234,000	X	valley oak woodland only	mitigations designated in wildlife handbook
				both ministerial

<u>Ventura</u>	113,000		X	and discretionary
Yolo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Co. Plan</u> • <u>Urban For. Plan</u> 	99,000		should adopt tree ordinance	
<u>Yuba</u>	95,000		valley oak only	

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