Excerpt from Zoning Ordinance

SECTION: 27.36.040 - Protected Trees

A protected tree is any of the following:

A. The following native oak trees six inch or greater:

Black Oak (Quercus kelloggii)
Blue Oak (Quercus douglasii)
Coast Live Oak (Quercus agrifolia)
Oregon Oak (Quercus garryana)
Valley Oak (Quercus lobata)
Interior Live Oak (Quercus wislizenii)
Oracle Oak (Quercus x morehus)
Chase Oak (Quercus x chaseii)

The following trees:

California Buckeye (Aesculus, californica) six inch or greater
California Bay (Umbellularia, californica) twelve inch or greater

Size is trunk diameter measured at a height of 4.5 feet from surrounding grade. Multiple trunk trees must possess at least one trunk with the above diameter (based on species) to be considered protected. (Smaller trees may also be protected under special circumstances. On projects where Planning Commission/Town Council approval is not required, determination will be made at the direction of the Planning Director.)

B. Heritage or landmark trees as identified by Council resolution;

C. Significant groves or stands of trees. On projects where Planning Commission/Town Council approval is not required, determination will be at the direction of the Planning Director.

D. Mature trees located on a parcel of one acre or more. Smaller trees may also be protected under special circumstances. On projects where Planning Commission/Town Council approval is not required, determination will be at the direction of the Planning Director.

E. Any tree required, to be planted or preserved, as environmental mitigation for a discretionary permit.