

Attachment 1

Arborist Certification Statement

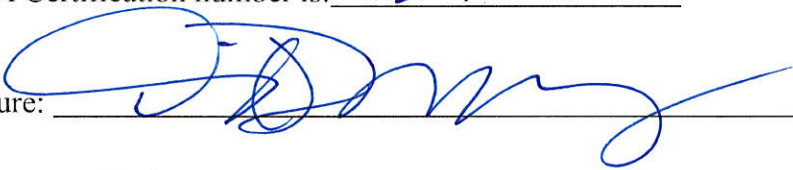
I, DAVID L. MAGNEY (print name),

of Althouse and Mezde, Inc. (firm name),

hereby acknowledge that:

1. I have read the City of Paso Robles Oak Tree Preservation Ordinance ([Chapter 10.01](#)) and am aware of its provisions;
2. I understand that I will be held accountable for violation of the terms of this ordinance;
3. I have read the City's Oak Tree Impact Evaluation Report Guidelines and understand that any report must comply with this criteria or it will be rejected by the City;
4. I understand that I require a valid City business license to perform work within the City limits; and,
5. I would like to be included on the City's approved list of ISA-certified arborists.

My ISA Certification number is: WE-7674A

Signature: 

Date: 7/5/2023

Please make the following address/phone/e-mail corrections:

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August 29, 2023

Warren Frace, Director
Community Development Department
1000 Spring Street
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Via email: CDDirector@prcity.com; WFrace@prcity.com

Re: Certified Arborist – Request to Add David Magney, Certified Arborist #WE-7674A

Dear Warren:

David Magney is best in class as an arborist and certified consulting botanist in California. I have had the pleasure of working with Mr. Magney for over 30 years, now a principal scientist with our company.

David takes his roll as a certified arborist very seriously, applying best arboriculture analysis to his tree evaluations. He writes well, and communicates clearly in his reports, and demonstrates excellent verbal communication skills in a wide variety of settings.

We are happy to offer arboriculture services of David Magney to the City of El Paso de Robles.

Sincerely,

LynneDee Althouse

Copy: Copy: Darren Nash dnash@prcity.com; (805) 237-3970



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David L. Magney, Principal Biologist

Certified Consulting Botanist #0001, ISA Certified Arborist #WE-7974A

Overview

David L. Magney, Principal Biologist, is a botanist/biologist and physical geographer with a thorough knowledge of the flora of California. He has over 30 years of field experience in biological studies throughout the west. Mr. Magney has worked on and managed a large variety of projects throughout the West, primarily in California. These include biological resource inventories, vegetation mapping and classification, wetland delineations and restoration, rare plant surveys and ecological studies, tree assessments, fisheries habitat assessment and mitigation design, fisheries monitoring, small mammal trapping and surveys, biological impact analysis and mitigation, and construction and mitigation monitoring. He has managed and worked on a variety of projects, including energy, residential, commercial, flood control, and landfill projects. Mr. Magney has also worked on off-highway vehicles trail siting, mining, electrical, transmission/pipeline, communication corridor, transportation, restoration, and dam developments. He came to Althouse and Meade after nearly 7 years managing the California Native Plant Society Rare Plant Program and running David Magney Environmental Consulting since 1997. Prior to that he managed the Natural Resources Division at Fugro West, 6 years with Jones & Stokes Associates, and 3 years with Dames & Moore.

Mr. Magney earned a BA in Geography and Environmental Studies (emphasis in botany) in 1985 from the University of California, Santa Barbara. He also holds an A.S. in Landscape Horticulture and Certificate of Completion in Natural Resources (1975) from Ventura College, Ventura, California. He is a Certified Consulting Botanist (#0001) and an ISA Certified Arborist (WE-7674A). He is an expert in wetland sciences including applying the Corps of Engineers Hydrogeomorphic Assessment Methods (HGM), and CEQA and NEPA for biology. Mr. Magney has taught courses or given presentations on plant family identification, wetland/riparian plant identification, wetland impacts and mitigation, CEQA, Clean Water Act permitting, water quality, and wetland delineation methodology. Mr. Magney has authored two floras in California and presented numerous papers on vegetation and water quality. He served on the Environmental Review Board for Los Angeles County Regional Planning, City of Ojai's Tree Committee, and on the Ventura County Planning Division's Interagency Biology Committee and the Locally Important Species Committee. Mr. Magney currently is the chairman of the Board of Certification overseeing the certification of botanists in California.

Education

B.A. Environmental Studies and Geography (emphasis is botany, cartography, and remote sensing), University of California at Santa Barbara, 1985.

A.S. Landscape Horticulture and Certificate of Completion in Natural Resources, Ventura College, 1975.

Permits

- Certified Arborist: International Society of Arboriculture (certification #WE-7674A)
- Certified Consulting Botanist #0001, California Native Plant Society, Board of Certification Approved Biologist: Los Angeles County Regional Planning Department, Sensitive Ecological Areas
- Approved Biologist: Ventura County Planning Division
- Approved Biologist: Santa Barbara County Planning Department
- Approved Arborist: City of Oxnard
- Expert Witness, Botanist: U.S. Department of Justice
- California Dept. of Fish and Game Scientific Collecting Permit #801066-05

Professional Work Experience

Principal Biologist

May 2023 – present

Althouse and Meade, Inc. Paso Robles, CA

Expert consulting biologist, botanist, and arborist.

Owner & Operator

July 1997 – present

David Magney Environmental Consulting, California

Own and operate environmental consultancy focusing on biological resources.

Special Projects Program Manager

February 2021 – May 2023

California Native Plant Society, Sacramento, CA

Lead the effort to identify locally rare plants, generally at the county level, and to promote the research and development of local floras, within California. Oversaw the Rare Plant Treasure Hunt and California Rare Plant Rescue projects, and train botanists on CEQA, mitigation and monitoring, and plant identification, as well as lead the California Botanist Certification program. Projects include the Utopia River Conservation Fund that focuses on conserving the biological and cultural resources of the Santa Clara River watershed in Ventura and Los Angeles Counties, and work on the Ventura Marsh Milkvetch.

Rare Plant Program Manager

June 2016 – February 2021

California Native Plant Society, Sacramento, CA

Manager, Natural Resources Group

February 1995 – April 1997

Fugro West, Inc., California

Managed the biological and cultural resources staff and oversaw projects involving these disciplines for all California offices, based in the Ventura office. Hired and managed key biology and archaeology staff at various Fugro West offices.

Training

- Improving Wetland Restoration Success: Riverine/Riparian Wetland Restoration Webinar, Assoc. of State Wetland Managers, 9 June 2015
- Hydrogeomorphic Assessment of Wetland Function training course: National Wetland Science Training Cooperative, 1996.
- Hydrogeomorphic Approach to Assessment of Functions of Waters of the U.S., Including Wetlands, in the Santa Margarita Watershed. National Wetland Science Training Cooperative, 1997.
- Wetland Delineation, Federal Wetland Policy: Wetland Training Institute, 1989, 1991.
- Desert Tortoise Handling and Surveying: trained by Desert Tortoise Council (John Weir), 1988. Hazardous Waste Health and Safety Monitoring Training: Dames & Moore, 1987.
- ArcView 3 (GIS) training: Geo InSight International, 1998.
- ArcGIS 10.4 (GIS) trainings: beginning and intermediate, ESRI 2017
- Vegetation Rapid Assessment Classification: California Native Plant Society, 2003.
- Successful CEQA Compliance 2005: Ron Bass, for Ventura County Resource Management Agency, 16 June 2005. CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act.
- California Red-legged Frog Survey Methods: Vince Semonsen 2005.
- The Wildlife Society San Joaquin Valley Chapter workshop: Habitat Conservation Planning, 1992.
- American Association for the Advancement of Science symposium: Vernal Pools, 1989. Professional Soil Scientists of California workshop: Field Identification of Hydric Soils, 1989. SPOT Image Corporation: Satellite Imagery and GIS training course, 1995.
- Jones & Stokes Associates workshops: Project Management Seminars, 1990-92, Hydric Soils, 1991, 1992; Clean Water Act Regulations Concerning Wetlands (1989), and CEQA Requirements and Document Preparation, 1993, 1990, 1989; WordPerfect, Lotus 1-2-3 and Allways, Microsoft Word, Excel, ArcView, and GRASS software programs.
- Project Management Training: Dames & Moore seminar, 1988. California Agricultural Pest Control Adviser's License, 1975-77 (expired).

Publications

- Magney, David L. in ed. *A Flora of Ventura County*. David Magney Environmental Consulting, Cedar Ridge, California.
- Magney, David L., Jordan Collins, and Adam Hoeft. 2023. Botanical Resources of the Utom (Santa Clara) River Watershed. 8 February 2023. (PN 60-6013-1.) California Native Plant Society, Sacramento, California. Prepared for the Utom River Conservation Fund, Santa Monica, California. Published on <https://venturaflora.com/files/vcflora.htm>
- Magney, David L. in ed. Vascular Flora of Ventura County, California. To be submitted to *Madroño*.
- Magney, David L. in ed. A Comparison of Swedish and American Wetland Protection Laws.
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- Magney, David L. 2015. Lichens of Ventura County: Annotated Checklist. (Version 1.3.) David Magney Environmental Consulting, Ojai, California. First published January 2014. http://www.magney.org/photofiles/Ventura_County_Lichens.htm
- Magney, David L., and Shirley Tucker. 2012. Lichens of Burton Mesa Chaparral, Santa Barbara County, California. Sespe Institute, Inc., Ojai, California.
- Magney, David L. 2011. Checklist of Vascular Plant Flora of Ventura County, California. 19 October 2011. Ojai, California. www.venturaflora.com
- Magney, David L. 2011. Vascular Plants of the Palos Verdes Peninsula, Los Angeles County, California. 20 July 2011. David Magney Environmental Consulting, Ojai, California.
- Magney, David L. 2010. Flora of Kings County, California. 6 December 2010. David Magney Environmental Consulting, Ojai, California. <http://magney.org/files/research.htm>
- Magney, David L. 2010. Native Trees of Southern California (list). (30 December 2010.) California Native Plant Society, Channel Islands Chapter, Ojai, California. <http://cnpsci.org/html/PlantInfo/Checklists.htm>
- Magney, David L. 2010. Terrestrial Gastropods of Los Angeles County. 29 September 2010. David Magney Environmental Consulting, Ojai, California. <http://magney.org/files/research.htm>
- Magney, David L. 2009. Checklist of Ventura County Rare Plants. 19 October 2009, Fifteenth edition. California Native Plant Society, Channel Islands Chapter, Ojai, California. www.cnpsci.org.
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http://www.venturaflora.com/files/checklists/Ventura_County_Bryophytes.pdf
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David Magney Environmental Consulting, Ojai, California.
<http://www.magney.org/photofiles/VenturaCountySnails1.htm>.
- Magney, David L. 2008. Spenceville Wildlife Area, Nevada and Yuba Counties, California, Checklist of the Vascular Plants. 21 June 2008. David Magney Environmental Consulting, Ojai, California.
http://magney.org/photofiles/Spenceville_Wildlife_Area.htm
- Chattin, L., L. Rubin, and D. Magney. 2006. A Winning Combination: Local Land-use Planning and Fine-scale Vegetation Maps. *Fremontia* 34:3(9-13).
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<http://www.cnpsci.org/html/PlantInfo/SouthOrmondBeachPlants.pdf>.
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- Magney, David L., and Kenneth M. Bogdan. 1993. What are ARNIs? National Wetlands Newsletter 15(3):4-5, May/June.
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- Magney, David L. 1986. A Flora of Dry Lakes Ridge, Ventura County, California. (Herbarium Publication No. 5.) University of California, Santa Barbara.

Professional Memberships

- Association of State Wetland Scientists Botanical Society of America California Botanical Society
- California Lichen Society, Conservation Committee
- California Native Plant Society (President 1991-1994; Chairman of Chapter Council 2011- 2014; Board Member 2002-2007, VP Conservation 1996; VP Legislation 1995; Channel Islands Chapter President 2004-2013, Redbud Chapter Conservation Committee Chairman 2010-2016), Fellow, Botanist Certification Program Committee & Board of Certification Chairman (2014-)
- Channel Islands Regional Geographic Information Systems (CIRGIS), incorporator and charter board member
- International Society for Arboriculture (ISA), Western Chapter ISA, 2006-2022 Northern California Botanists
- Society of Wetland Scientists
- Southern California Academy of Sciences Southern California Botanists