



Curriculum Vitae of Greg J. Monfette

OBJECTIVE **To assist in the review of Arboricultural and Urban Forestry situations where I can optimally utilize my abilities, strengths and knowledge to provide outstanding service to my clients and the public.**

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE **Diablo Valley College/Santa Monica College 1981-1984**
Environmental Design - Pierce College - 1983
Plant Identification & Use - Pierce College - 1989
Street Maintenance Technology Certificate LACC 1997-1999
American Society of Consulting Arborist Academy – 2003
West LA College – Business Law 2010

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION **Registered Consulting Arborist #481**
California State Contractors License # 953525
Certified Tree Risk Assessor Qualified #1033
International Society of Arboriculture, Certified Arborist #0729AU
International Society of Arboriculture, Certified Tree Worker #1138
State of California Pest Control Advisor's License #74824
State of California Pest Control Operator's License #97557

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT **CITY OF LOS ANGELES, BUREAU OF STREET SERVICES,**
8/96 to Present **URBAN FORESTRY DIVISION, SUPERINTENDENT I**

- **Assist the Chief Forester of the Urban Forestry Division in Los Angeles.**
- **Present to City Council, Community Councils, Planning Department, and various communities throughout the City on Urban Forestry matters.**
- **Oversight of the city's landscape maintenance section on a citywide basis.**
- **Oversight of the landscaping of the Santa Monica Blvd Project.**
- **Review and approval of landscape and beautification projects in the city.**
- **Coordinate the city's sidewalk repair program to ensure public safety and tree retention.**
- **Recommend the use, and oversee the implementation, of alternative options in lieu of conventional sidewalk repair throughout the urban forest of Los Angeles.**
- **Coordinate streetscape, beautification projects, and alternatively funded programs.**
- **Prepare reports for the Director, Board of Public Works, and the City Council.**
- **Attend Council, Board of Public Works and community meetings.**
- **Work effectively with elected officials and various community groups.**

- Direct subdivision activities, review development plans, oversee tree maintenance contracts, and the enforcement of street tree ordinances and policies.
- Formulate, refine and project budgetary requirements for the new fiscal year.
- Review all personnel problems for appropriate resolutions or disciplinary action.
- Develop training classes, safety meetings and internal staff meetings.
- Review claims requested by City Attorney, provide expert testimony and supply appropriate written documents.

10/95 to 8/96

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES, BUREAU OF STREET SERVICES,
URBAN FORESTRY DIVISION, SUPERVISOR II - CLAIMS
SUPERVISOR**

- Handled all litigation materials, represented the division in court, attended arbitrations, depositions and provided expert witness testimony.
- Assisted in zone operations, drafting of board reports, review of maps and legal considerations affecting division matters.
- Reviewed and assigned inspections and service investigation requests.
- Met with the public, city council members and others discussing policies and procedures and other matters affecting the department.
- Investigated all division damage claims, conducted on-site inspections, and prepared reports for interrogatories, depositions, and arbitrations.
- Responded to tree emergencies when necessary & handle special assignments.

5/88 to 10/95

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES, BUREAU OF STREET SERVICES,
URBAN FORESTRY DIVISION, SUPERVISOR II – AREA
SUPERVISOR**

- Investigated damage claims, conducted on-site inspections, prepared reports for interrogatories, and supervised office and field personnel in various areas of the city's urban forest.
- Coordinated work production requirements with personnel and equipment in accordance with city regulations.
- Responded to emergency situations, citizen requests and complaints, employee concerns and disciplinary issues.
- Developed new scheduling procedures, field reports, conducted inspections and performed plan review for construction projects.
- Conducted crew work performance inspections.
- Attended division depositions, and arbitrations.
- Met with the public, City Council members and others as a representative of the bureau, discussing policies and procedures and other matters affecting the department.
- Handled planting notices, contracts, and street repair and improvement projects.

11/86 to 5/88

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES, BUREAU OF STREET SERVICES,
URBAN FORESTRY DIVISION, SUPERVISOR I**

- Oversaw the operations of a programmed tree trimming (production) crew.
- Handled scheduling of crews and maintain work schedules.
- Conducted safety meetings, performed crew work performance inspections.
- Performed periodic inspections, damage reports, claims, and prepared responses to Council letters and citizen request.
- Coordinated tree trimming activities, tree removals, and enforced city safety rules and regulations.

10/85 to 11/86

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES, BUREAU OF STREET SERVICES,
URBAN FORESTRY DIVISION, TREE SURGEON**

- **Performed climbing, trimming, treating, planting, and removing trees.**
- **Sprayed trees with aerial spray equipment.**
- **Conducted training sessions and followed city safety rules.**
- **Responded to all emergency tree call situations.**

11/81 to Present

SELF EMPLOYMENT / PRIVATE COMPANY EXPERIENCE

- **1/11 to Present- Owner Tree Case Management. Providing Case Management work on High-end properties. Addressing all legal situations involving trees and vegetation. Court and Litigation work. Managing all tree needs for the client.**
- **7/00 to Present- Owner of Neighborhood Consulting Arborist. Provide consultations to the community on tree related matters and beautification projects. Perform a range of arboriculture services. Specialize in tree root intrusion and infrastructure damage.**
- **1/83 to 7/00- Owner of Neighborhood Tree Service. Responsible for labor scheduling, estimates, customer relations, equipment and vehicle maintenance.**

**CAREER ENHANCEMENT
DEVELOPMENT COURSES**

- **Voice & Articulation - Los Angeles Community College**
- **Spanish Conversation - Los Angeles Community College**
- **Electrical Craft Helper - Los Angeles Community College**
- **Electrical Hazards Awareness Program**
- **Various Specialized Training Seminars on a yearly basis**
- **Future Focused Leadership Training Program for City Managers**
- **Street Maintenance Facilitator / Leader Training**
- **Certificates of Training – Tree Maintenance / Energized Line Clearance**
- **Supervision in Public Works Productivity Improvement**

SPECIAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

- **Registered Consulting Arborist #481**
- **Certified Tree Risk Assessor #1033**
- **State of California Pest Control Advisor's License #74824**
- **State of California Pest Control Operator's License #97557**

- **Certified Arborist Western Chapter International Society of Arboriculture #0729**
- **Certified Tree Worker / Western Chapter International Society of Arboriculture**
- **Certified Utility Specialist of the Western Chapter ISA**
- **Certified Line Clearance Tree Trimmer / City of Los Angeles**

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- **Past President, International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) 2010-2011**
- **Director, International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) 2005-2008**
- **President, Street Tree Seminar (STS) 2004**

- Los Angeles Community Forest Advisory Committee (CFAC) 1996
- Member, California Oak Foundation (COF) 1998-2010

**SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/COURT CASES/
EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY**

More than 60 cases (Information Is Available Upon Request)

**PUBLICATIONS/ARTICLES/POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS/CLASS
INSTRUCTIONS/FIELD DEMONSTRATIONS/SEMINARS**

- How to plant a tree
- The California Sycamore Tree
- Tree Trimming Guidelines and Specifications
- Why Topping Hurts Trees
- Myths and Facts of Trees
- Property Values Relating to Trees
- Can Trees be Considered a Spite Fence
- Construction Guidelines and Specifications Around Trees
- Rooting Out Problems
- Armillaria Melia
- Working With An Air-Spade
- Million Tree / Tree Planting Project (ppt)
- Rot Crown Excavations (ppt)
- Diseases Related to Tree Pruning (ppt)
- Tree Pruning Guidelines (class)
- Tree Planting Demonstration (class)
- Various others throughout the last 15 years

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