

Memo

To: Edie Berghoff, City of Poulsbo Associate Planner
From: Kevin M. McFarland, City of Poulsbo Contracted Arborist
Date: 10/10/18
Re: Poulsbo Meadows PRD (Planning File No. 10-23-07-01) Open Space Trees Assessment

Upon the request of the City of Poulsbo, I have conducted an on-site assessment at the proposed Poulsbo Meadows project. I have been asked by the City to assess the trees located within the Open Space F that are to be retained. I visited the site on August 3, 2018.

Findings

It is my opinion that all of the trees shown to be retained within this area are in good condition with the potential of long term preservation. The properties to the south of the open space have previously been cleared which means these trees are wind firm and will not be exposed to a new forest edge along the windward side.

To help ensure the continued health of the trees, I would recommend the following:

- Caution needs to be taken with the felling and extraction of the trees identified for removal within the open space. The trees should be felled away from those to be retained and carefully extracted to not damage the trunks. The stumps should remain intact to help protect the roots of trees to be retained. Stump grinding is an option but they should not be excavated or pulled out of the ground.
- Protection fencing should be installed along the access road and the backsides of Lots 21-26. I have indicated the recommended locations on the attached site plan.

If you should have questions, please feel free to contact me at 360-870-2511 or suf1234@comcast.net

Recommended Tree Protecting Fencing

