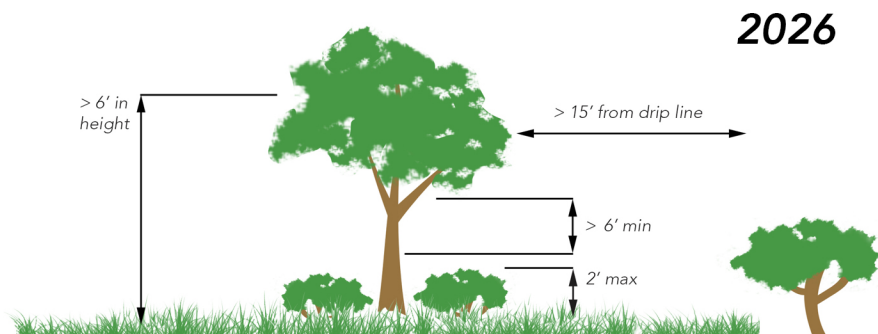
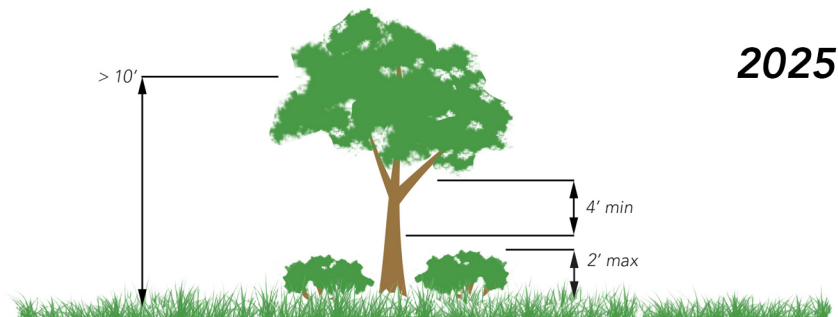




# PLANT SEPARATION

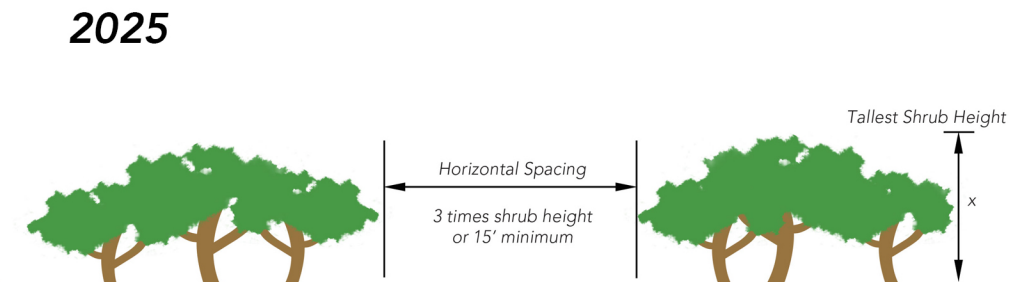
State of California plant separation requirements will become more restrictive starting in January 2026. Please see the diagrams below to compare the 2025 requirements with the 2026 requirements.

## VERTICAL SEPARATION



- Trees are any vegetation over 6 feet in height.
- Trees shall have the lowest branch cut a minimum 6 feet from the groundcover below.
- All vegetation under a tree canopy and within 15 feet of the dripline needs to be 2 feet or less.

## HORIZONTAL SEPARATION



- Shrubs are any vegetation over 2 feet and less than 6 feet.
  - Shrubs need to be separated 3 times the height of the tallest shrub or 15 feet minimum whichever distance is greater.
- \*Slopes greater than 40% (2:1) require horizontal spacing of 6 times the height of the tallest shrub.*

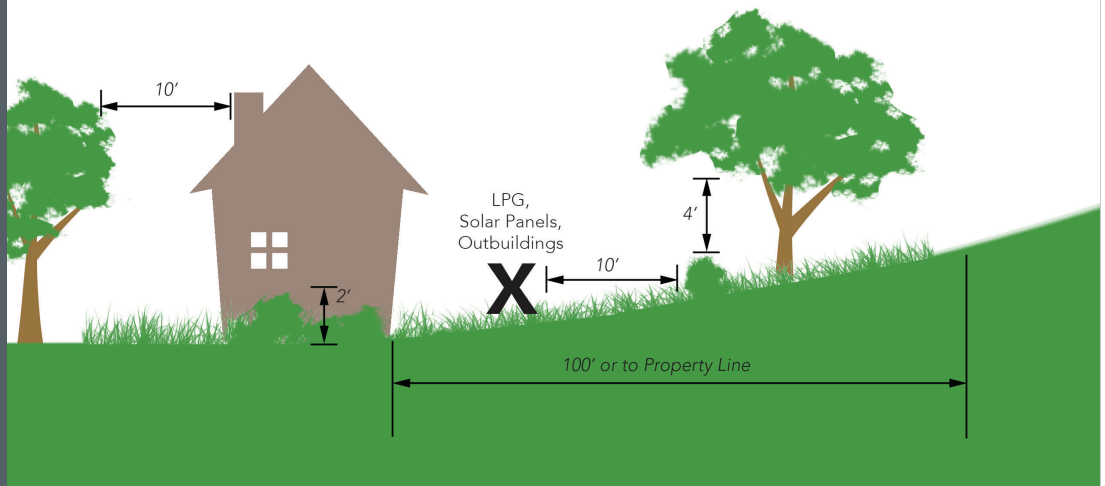
# READY, SET, GO! PLANT SEPARATION



Consult a geologist prior to beginning maintenance if you have slope stability questions.

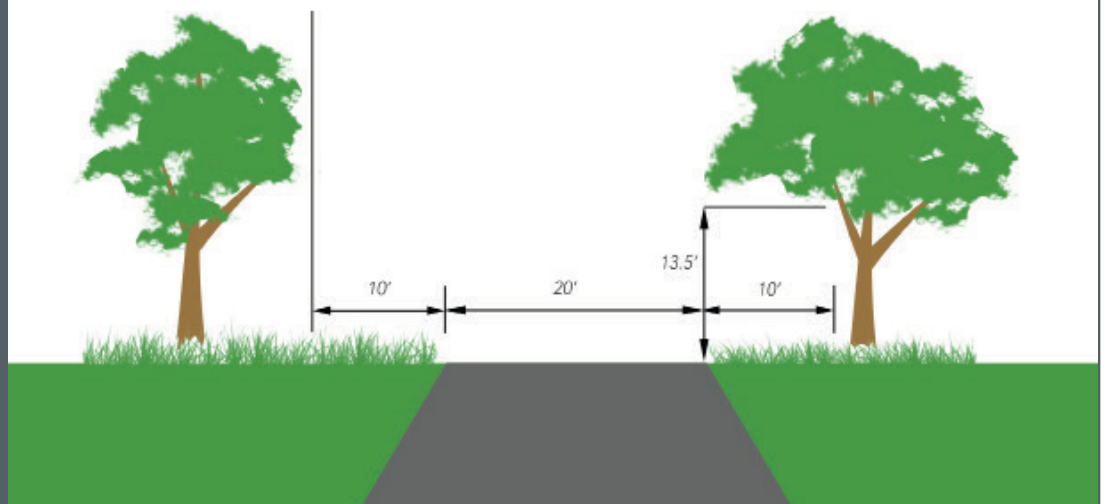
## SEPARATION FOR CHIMNEYS, LPG TANKS, SOLAR PANELS, AND OUTBUILDINGS

- Trees need to be at least 10 feet away from chimneys
- LPG tanks, solar panels, and outbuildings need to be at least 10 feet away from surrounding vegetation
- Shrubs next to homes should not exceed 2 feet in height



## ROADSIDE CLEARANCE

- 10 feet of Horizontal Clearance is needed from the road to the tree canopy
- 13.5 feet of Vertical Clearance is needed from the road to the tree canopy



For more information, please visit the OCFA website or call **714-573-6774** to schedule a Wildfire Home Assessment.