



SINGLE FAMILY HOME LANDSCAPE REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

Development Code Chapter 11.24 (Ordinance #1556)

The creation of any new single family home, or replacement homes, within the [Valley Growth Boundary](#) requires landscape in the front yard. This checklist intends to be a quick reference of the typical landscape requirements that are needed for single family homes & indicates what is required to be on landscape plans for plan approval. Building permit applications for any new development requires a landscape plan; please submit your plans alongside permit submittal or directly to the Planning Department if you have received a correction letter. Chapter 11.24 *Landscape* of the Yuba County Development Code outlines all landscape regulations. The purpose of these regulations is to promote an attractive environment, off set emissions, increase property values, assure compliance with the Water Conservation in Landscaping Act, promote native species plants & to ensure invasive plants are not introduced into the community.

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

1. **Landscape Plan:** Electronic PDF plans are preferred. Hard copy plans may be submitted, please submit one (1) full size copy of the landscape plan drawn to scale. Hard copies of the landscape plan can be either (8 1/2" x 11") standard paper size or (11" x 17") in dimension & shall be submitted with the building permit application. The landscape plan must clearly indicate all dimensions and other pertinent information including the following:
 - a) A scale and north arrow.
 - b) Property lines & dimensions for the entire property.
 - c) All existing and proposed buildings and structures including location, measurements from property lines & other structures, size, height and proposed use(s).
 - d) Walls and fences including location, height and construction materials.
 - e) Names of all adjoining streets & on site driveway.
 - f) An outlined area with dimensions (square feet) of proposed landscape area(s).
 - g) Adhere to the below following standards:
 - Indicate existing trees & whether they are to remain or be removed.
 - No more than 35% of any landscape area can be hard surfaces (concrete, gravel, brick) & void of plants.
 - Plant selection shall be native to the area or from the County's *Approved Tree List & Recommended Groundcover & Shrub List*.
 - A plant table or chart: Including plant & tree name or species, quantity of each, indication of water use (low, medium, high), & size of each. Trees are required to be 15 gallons in size, shrubs & groundcover are required to be 1 gallon in size.
 - 1 tree is required for every 40 feet of property line frontage.
 - Plants shall be spaced depending on recommendations for species. Trees shall remain away from sidewalks & driveways.
 - New trees will be appropriately supported by stakes/guy wires.
 - All exposed soil shall be covered with weed control fabric & topped with 3 inches of mulch.
 - A statement signed by preparer of the plans as follows: "*I have complied with the landscape criteria of the Yuba County Landscape Ordinance Chapter 11.24*".

2. **Irrigation Plans:** Irrigation is required for **ALL** new landscape. Provide irrigation plans that address the specifications of section 11.24.090 *Irrigation Specifications* &, at a minimum, indicates location, type & size of all components of the irrigation system & demonstrates compliance with section 11.24.080 *Landscape Plans*.
3. **Design Review Approval:** Design Review is required for *new* Production Homes and Commercial development within the Plumas Lake Specific Plan. Design Review is **NOT** required for changes to existing landscaping. Please contact the Planning Department if you intend to alter/remove existing street trees in Plumas Lake.
4. **Landscape Inspection:** Following landscape plan & building permit approval, construction may begin. Once landscape & irrigation has been finished, complete a *Certificate of Compliance* form & submit via email to the Planning Department at: planning@co.yuba.ca.us. The home will be added to the Planning Department inspection list, according to the inspection schedule available at that time.
5. Other information may be required to facilitate a comprehensive evaluation of the application by departments of the Community Development & Services Agency.

DISCLAIMER

This checklist is intended to be a quick reference & does not include all landscape requirements. Landscape plan review may result in additional requirements being requested, per Chapter 11.24 Landscape, or based on individual property specific characteristics. Landscape plan designer may refer to Chapter 11.24 for a complete reference of all landscape requirements. ***A landscape architect may be needed if landscape & irrigation plans do not indicate all requirements.***