

Request for a Tree Canopy Bylaw



QUAMICHAN LAKE NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION DELEGATION

North Cowichan
needs to
increase its tree
canopy.





Trees are a public asset.

- Visual enhancement.
- Cool & refresh air.
- Oxygenate & remove toxins.
- Provide windbreaks.
- Stabilize unstable ground, preventing landslide.

Image source:https://blog.gouldevans.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/img_3722_crop.jpg

Many
surrounding
municipalities
have tree bylaws.

Image source: <https://betweennapsontheporch.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/Tree-Lined-Streets-in-Beautiful-Older-Neighborhoods.jpg>



Even so, tree canopy in urban centres is shrinking.

[Ricky Esquivel:](#)

[Photo Of City · Free Stock Photo \(pexels.com\)](#)





Treeless
neighbourhoods
can become 'Heat
Islands'.

Trees used to be retained in residential areas.





‘The Municipality
will strive to
prevent pre-
emptive land
clearing by
updating the
subdivision bylaw.’

--Section 6.3.2.b, 2022 OCP

Consulting
arbourists can
reduce windstorm
damage.

Photo: Dreamstime





Trees shade &
protect fish eggs.

We must protect
the endangered
Garry Oak
Ecosystem.



The QLNA is Requesting:

1. Incentives for property owners
2. No extreme clearing by developers
3. Consulting arbourists
4. Retain trees in hazardous, riparian areas & endangered ecosystems

Thank you

