TREE SAN DIEGO

Hosting a tree-planting event or project?

Here are some things to consider...

LOCATION

- Where is the tree being planted and is location limiting the feasibility of the project?
- Who owns the land where the tree will be planted, and who is responsible for the tree after it is placed?
- Is this tree going to be planted on private or public land, and has approval for planting on this site been obtained?
- How are basin requirements starting to change where planting projects are implemented?
- Is the overhead and underground infrastructure suitable for this planting?

SPECIES SELECTION & SOURCING

- Is there an urban forestry management plan (UFMP) in this city?
- Is there a city tree palette requiring select species to be planted?
- Is this tree planting part of a plan initiative?
- Where are the trees being sourced, and is the entire tree palette available?

DATA

- Which data need to be collected and why?
- Where are the current urban forestry data published for my city?
- When and how should tree mortality data be shared?

WORKFORCE

- Are volunteers taking part in this planting?
- Are there any workforce liabilities? Are permits or waivers needed for this planting? Is insurance for volunteers, staff, or U18 needed?
- Who is managing the initial planting efforts?
- What materials are needed for laborers to successfully complete this planting?
- Who is responsible for ongoing communication about the tree(s)?

WATER

- Where do the state and city policies stand on water use for trees and landscape during drought?
- Is irrigation available? Is purple pipe water available?
- Is mobile watering needed?
- How is the watering of a tree or the supporting irrigation infrastructure being financed?

MAINTENANCE, MONITORING & MAPPING

- Who is mapping/tracking this tree?
- Which mapping details will be shared? With whom?
- What is the ongoing care and maintenance plan for this/these tree(s)?
- Who is handling quality control checks? How often?

MATERIALS

- What is the budget for the tree planting?
- Will hole digging or an auger be needed?
- What size tree will be used for the planting (e.g., 5gl)?

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