

Summer Grounds Update:

Pine Trees, at the main entrance:

Many of you, I'm sure, have noticed that several of the pine trees at the front entrance are not well. We discovered that the combination of extended drought conditions and, most sadly, Pine Beetles have taken a toll on them. Six pines have been identified for removal.

The felling and removal of these trees will take place in early September when more of the Grounds Crew return to Green Valley. The volunteer Grounds Crew and employees of the Felix Landscaping team will be working together during this clean-up effort. Given the number of trees involved and the size of the Felix Landscaping trailer this effort may take a couple of weeks to complete. It is our intention to not fell more trees than this team can completely process and haul away on any given day.

Trees behind the Nardos Wall:

The Grounds Committee has contracted with Urban Forestry of Tucson to prune the trees in the HOA Common Area behind the Nardos wall. There is a mixture of mesquite, oak, and a few conifers in this area. The plan is to address the limbs that are overhanging and extending into residents' properties. The Springs HOA used Urban Forestry of Tucson last year when we hired them to prune and crown thin the trees in Perry Park. They are Certified Arborists and we are confident in their knowledge and expertise.

Urban Forestry of Tucson is scheduled to arrive on the morning of Thursday, October 15. They are anticipating that the work will be completed by the end of that day. If you live along the south end of Paseo de Los Nardos, expect some noise. I'm sure there will be chain saws and possibly a large chipper used for this pruning work.