

City of Santa Barbara FORESTRY DIVISION

ATTACHMENT 5

May 2022

PRONT YARD SET BACK TREE REMOVAL REQUEST

Date:	4/26/2022				
Requested by:	Adam Sharkey sharkey@bbird.com				
Address:	235 Palm Ave., Santa Barbara, CA 93101				
Location of Tree:	650 Rockwood Dr., Santa Barbara, CA 93103				
Tree Species:	(6) Acacia baileyana, Common Name: Bailey Acacias				
Zoning/Setback:	RS-1A 30'				
v	• • •	w single-family residence and special ADU. site grading pathways, fencing, and new			
Proposed Replacemen	nt: Yes 🖂 No 🗌				
Advisory Committee I	Recommendation: Conditionally Appr	ove Removal: $igtimes$ Deny Removal: $igcap N/A$			
Staff Recommendation	n: Conditionally Approve Removal: [\square Deny Removal: \square N/A \boxtimes			
Date Posted: 5/10/20	22				

Comments: The Committee recommends (3/0/1) that the Commission approve removal of the Acacias on the condition the applicant replace with (3) additional replacement trees to be planted on the property. Additional replacement trees to be at least 15-gallon containers and achieve 30 feet in height at maturity.

PHOTO INVENTORY





Tree Removal Application

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Shawna & Brook Reeder			
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OUR MAILING ADDRESS			
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If you feel you need more space to outline the goals of your request, please feel free to attach a supplemental letter when you submit this form.

- Application review underway for new single family residence and special ADU. PLN2021-00491.
- Site design requires removal of these acacias for desired site grading, pathways, fencing, and new landscaping.
- · Project arborist Duke McPherson confirmed that the trees are not protected, saw no issues with their removal to allow the proposed development.
- · Project arborist report prepared by Duke McPherson was submitted and reviewed by City staff.
- · Arborist report and project landscape plans identified removal of acacias, but did not indicate size.
- In consultation with Nathan Slack of City of Santa Barbara, acacia sizes were verified and is over 4" diameter, therefore requiring removal application.
- Arborist Duke McPhereson said he could update his report with a letter identifying his approval for removal if needed. Blackbird will follow up with Nathan Slack to see if this is needed/helpful.

WILLY	OU REPLACI	E THE TREE	E(S)?	YES	X	NO	
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IF YES, WHAT WILL YOU REPLACE THE TREE(S) WITH?

- The project has full proposed landscape plan that new tree types including Avocado, Fruit Trees, Olive Trees, Palm Trees, Pepper Trees, and Coast Live Oak Trees.
- The project design was reviewed with all positive comments by the Single Family Design Board.
- In the site area that was occupied by the acacias, there are proposed to be (3) Coast Live Oak trees, one Olive Tree, boulders, a special ADU, and an outdoor patio, pathway, low seat wall and sitting area.

Duke McPherson, Arborist

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Arborist Report/Tree Protection Plan

Regarding: 650 Rockwood Drive, City of Santa Barbara, California

Introduction

At the request of the owners, I met with Ken Radtkey and Ambikesh Mishra of Blackbird Architects on June 24 of this year on the property. Though the site is populated with a variety of native and non-native trees, most are located out at the perimeter which will accommodate building and landscape hardscape construction with a minimum of impact to valued trees. We concluded that one of the major goals will be to keep the fire hazardous nature of the site low through the removal of selected trees. Also, careful planning will be needed in order to populate the open areas with trees and plants without adding to the high fire danger found here.

The Site and Trees

The property is located on gently sloping land which is known as the fanglomerate formation. It is a kind of ancient debris flow with rocks and boulders mixed in with soil. It spans the elevations of 672' at the lowest point up to 693' at Rockwood Drive.

There is an abundance of Coast Live Oak trees, *Quercus agrifolia*, plus some native shrubs and shrub like trees such as Toyon, *Heteromeles arbutifolia* and Lemonade Berry, *Rhus integrifolia*. Non-native include a species of Acacia, the Peruvian Pepper, *Schinus molle*, and a single mature specimen of a Eucalyptus variety, *Eucalyptus polyanthemos*.

Determining Tree Critical Root Zones (CRZ's)

Where native oaks are encroached upon by construction, a means of determining what impact that activity may have on them needs to be applied. Generally, with fairly symmetrical canopies, the measurement of the distance from the center of the tree trunk to the dripline is taken. Adding 6' gives a rough perimeter of the outer circle of the area protected.

As trees on this site in most cases have asymmetrical canopies, I opted to use what I call the trunk measurement method for determining protected or Critical Root Zones instead of the trunk center to the canopy dripline plus 6' method. A trunk diameter measurement is taken at the standard height at 4.5' up or Diameter at Breast Height (DBH) in inches which is equated with the radius in feet from the trunk center out to its root zone perimeter. In cases where there are multiple trunks, the diameters in inches are squared, added together and the square root of the resulting number is used for the radius in feet.

The CRZ's of two specimens (#'s 11 and 15) were found to be affected by over 20% due to the construction of an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU).

Site Plan Showing All Trees

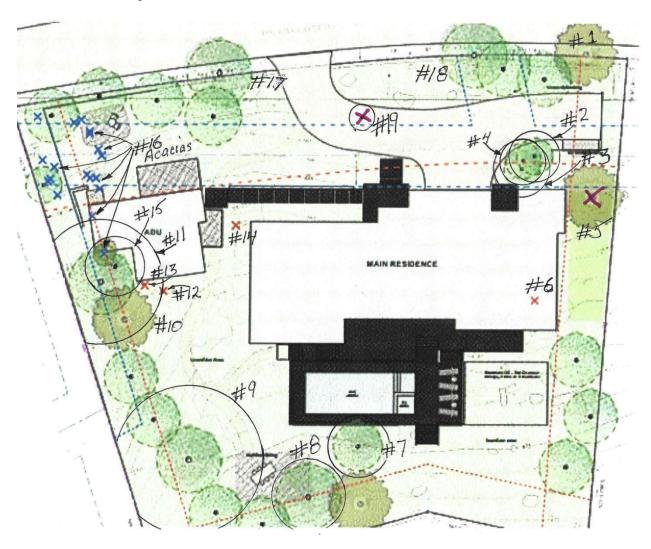


Figure 1. The proposed removals are shown with red X's. I determined that the CRZ of two trees, # 11 and 15, would be encroached upon by construction. Five native and one mature specimen non-native (# 5) are proposed for removal. Tree representations shown with solid centers were initially proposed locations for new mitigation oaks. Graphic taken from a site plan drawn up by Blackbird Architects at a 1/8"=1' scale.

Tree Inventory

Tree health was determined by eye. All trees appeared to be free of pests and diseases and were growing normally. One tree, the non native Eucalyptus (tree #5) qualifies as a specimen tree which would normally have been designated as protected. In this circumstance, the fire hazardous nature of it supersedes that value and no mitigation for its loss has been offered. Trunk diameters are taken at 4.5' up from ground level and referred to as Diameter at Breast Height (DBH).

Tree Number	Name	Health	Trunk Diameter at in inches Critical Root Zone in Feet	Location (Beginning at NE Corner and Moving Counterclockwise)	Comments
1	Peruvian Pepper Schinus molle			NE corner of property slightly outside property line.	City of SB street tree. To be preserved.
2	Coast Live Oak, Quercus agrifolia	Good	8" 8'	South of tree number one by 48'.	Minor grading in CRZ for driveway. No mitigation needed.
3	Coast Live Oak, <i>Quercus</i> agrifolia	Good	6", 7" 9'	In cluster of trees with #'s 2 and 4.	Building construction to encroach CRZ under 20%. No mitigation needed.
4	Coast Live Oak, Quercus agrifolia		6" 6'	In cluster of trees with #'s 2 and 3.	Minor grading in CRZ for driveway. No mitigation needed.
5	Eucalyptus polyanthemos		36" trunk diameter		Non-native proposed for removal without mitigation.

Tree Inventory (continued)

Tree	ory (continued) Name	Health	Trunk	Location	Comments
Number	Name	Heatth	Diameter in inches	Location	Comments
			Critical Root Zone in Feet		
6	Coast Live Oak, <i>Quercus</i> agrifolia	Good	11" 11'	Thirty eight SW of #5.	To be removed for house construction. To be mitigated for.
7	Coast Live Oak, Quercus agrifolia	Good	10" 10"	Near southern edge of future pool.	Root zone affected by less that 20% by pool construction.
8	Coast Live Oak, <i>Quercus</i> agrifolia	Good	12" 12'	Immediately west of #6.	Root zone not affected by construction. No grading will occur in this area.
9	Coast Live Oak, <i>Quercus</i> agrifolia	Good	6, 10, 3X12" 24'	Thirty six north of lower property line. Twenty one feet east of western line.	
10	Peruvian Pepper Schinus molle	Good. Lush green growth.		Fourteen feet south of #11.	A non-native tree (sometimes mistakenly called a California Pepper).

Tree Inventory (continued)

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Tree	Name	Health	Trunk	Location	Comments	
Number			Diameter in			
			inches			
			Critical			
			Root Zone			
			in Feet			
11	Coast Live		10, 10, 10,	In an oak cluster	Over 20%	
	Oak, Quercus		10"	with #'s 12, 13,	percent of	
	agrifolia		20'	and 15.	CRZ	
					affected by	
					construction.	
					Mitigation	
					required.	
12	Coast Live	Good	16"	In an oak cluster	Proposal for	
	Oak, Quercus			with #'s 11, 13,	removal.	
	agrifolia			and 15.	Mitigation	
					needed.	
13	Coast Live	Good	8, 12"	In an oak cluster	Proposal for	
	Oak, Quercus		14'	with #'s 11, 12,	removal.	
	agrifolia			and 15.	Mitigation	
				WIIG 10.	needed.	
14	Coast Live	Good health	9, 10"	Fifty nine feet east	Proposal for	
	Oak, Quercus	with a	13'	of property line.	removal.	
	agrifolia	deformed	10	or property mile.	Mitigation	
		structure.			needed.	
15	Coast Live	Good	10"	In an oak cluster	Over 20%	
	Oak, Quercus	0000	10'	with #'s 12, 13,	percent of	
	agrifolia			and 15.	CRZ	
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					construction.	
					Mitigation	
					required.	
16	Group of	Variable	Variable		Non-native	
	twenty one	health.	sizes.		trees	
	Acacia sp.				proposed for	
	темени вр.				removal due	
					to fire	
					hazardous	
					condition.	
					Space to be	
					used for oak	
					mitigation	
					planting.	
					pranting.	

Tree Inventory (continued)

Tree	Name	Health	Trunk	Location	Comments
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Number			Diameter at		
			4.5' up		
			(DBH)		
			Critical		
			Root Zone		
17	Coast Live	Good	12"	In roadside strip	City of SB
	Oak, Quercus			sixty eight feet	street tree. To
	agrifolia			from western	be preserved.
	ug. you			property line.	or preserved.
18	Coast Live	Good	10"	In roadside strip	City of SB
	Oak, Quercus			49' from NE	street tree. To
	agrifolia			property corner.	be preserved.
19	Coast Live	Good	A multi-	Approx. 18' south	To be
	Oak, Quercus		trunk re-	of northern line.	removed for
	agrifolia		sprout. Ten		driveway
			stems		installation.
			varying from		Mitigation
			1-3" in		required.
			diameter.		
			Original tree		
			removed by		
			a previous		
			owner.		

Tree Mitigation Table

A total of five oaks are proposed for removal. Two more will have their critical root zones affected by 20% or more. The locations for the nursery grown native oaks will be found in a follow up landscape plan prepared by Sam Maphis of Earthform Design.

Tree Number	Name	Reason for Removal or Mitigation	Size: Trunk diameter at 4.5' up - DBH	Mitigation Tree Replacements, Size and Number
			(Critical Root Zone)	
6	Coast Live Oak	To be removed for residence construction.	11" DBH (11')	One 24" boxed specimen.
11	Coast Live Oak	ADU construction encroaching over 20% of CRZ	Four 10" DBH trunks. (20')	One 36" boxed specimen.
12	Coast Live Oak	ADU construction is too close to the tree to preserve it.	16" DBH (16')	One 36" boxed specimen.
13	Coast Live Oak	ADU construction is too close to the tree to preserve it.	8" + 12" DBH (14')	One 36" boxed specimen.
14	Coast Live Oak	House construction is too close to the tree to preserve it.	9" + 10" DBH (13')	One 36" boxed specimen.
15	Coast Live Oak	Over 20% CRZ encroachment from ADU construction.	10" (10')	One 24" box.
19	Coast Live Oak	To be removed for driveway construction.	A small multi trunk specimen.	One 15 gallon nursery oak.

Tree Protection Measures to be Taken During the Construction Phase

- 1. It will be imperative to place strongly staked tree protection fencing as outlined in the graphic shown on page 9. The project arborist is to be on hand to supervise the installation.
- 2. All heavy equipment must be prevented from entering protected areas.
- 3. No storage of materials of any kind is to occur within tree CRZ's.
- 4. The locations for portable tool washout basins are to be supervised by the project arborist to insure no liquid material spills into root zones.
- 5. No ditching for utility lines is to occur within protected tree root zones without the project arborist present.
- 6. Any tree roots cut during construction operations are to be cut even to help prevent decay.

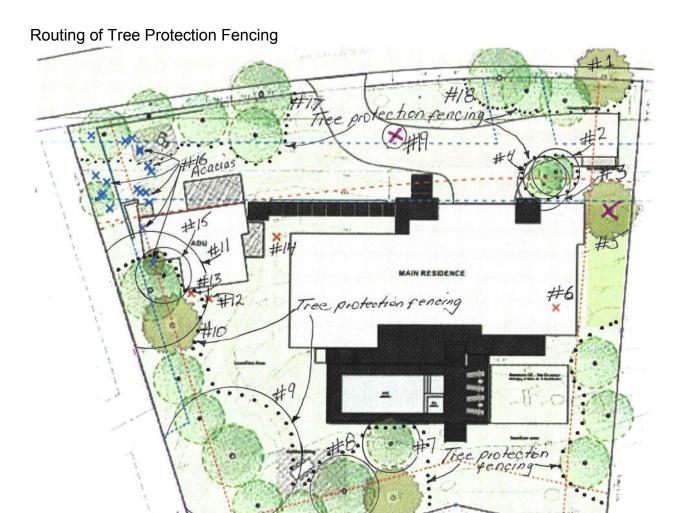


Figure 2. The graphic shows five locations for the routing of tree protection fencing shown with lines of black dots.

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Arborist Report Addendum

Regarding: 650 Rockwood Drive, Santa Barbara, CA

Introduction

This report is a addendum to one I prepared on September 29, 2021 which was titled Arborist Report/Tree Protection Plan. Its purpose was to provide an inventory of all the significant trees on the property and how proposed building, ADU, and hardscape construction would have affected their health. Some trees were designated for removal for various reasons, mainly to facilitate a whole new use of the property.

I did not consider the fact that some of the removals are located within the setback zone that the City of Santa Barbara has jurisdiction over. Specifically, there are 16 young Acacia specimens in a group in the northwest corner of the property which the architects and owners would like to replace with native oak trees (Refer to a site plan section on page 2). Just as important, the area has been set aside for new outdoor living infrastructure.

Conclusions and Recommendations

I would like to request that the City of Santa Barbara grant the owners permission to remove the specified trees in order to develop the area for outdoor living.

Plan Section

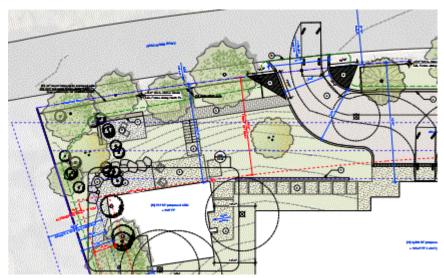


Figure 1. A plan section of the site shows existing and proposed new trees. The subject trees can be seen at the left side of the plan as small black circles. The red dashed line paralleling Rockwood Drive and running left to right represents the City's setback line.

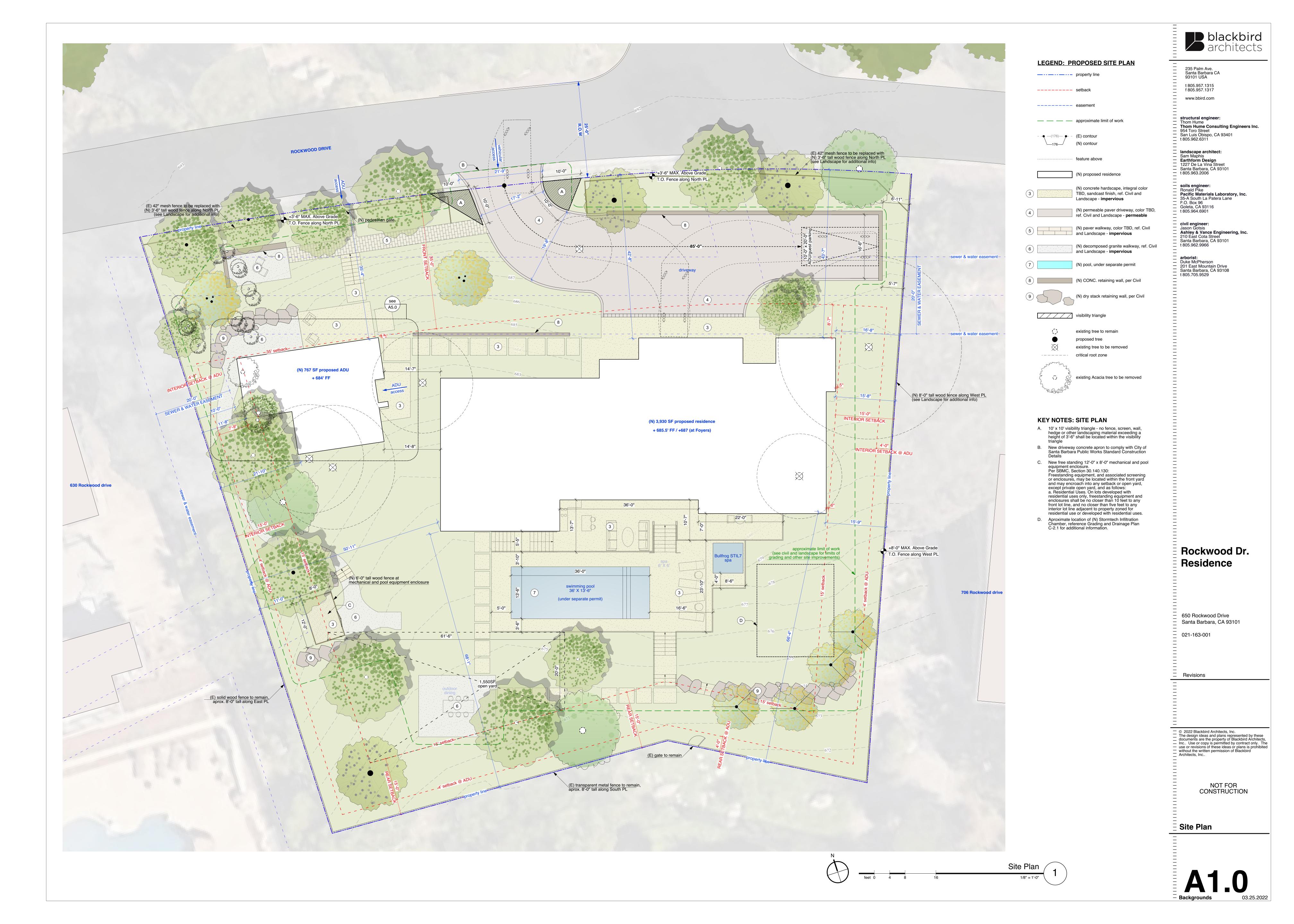
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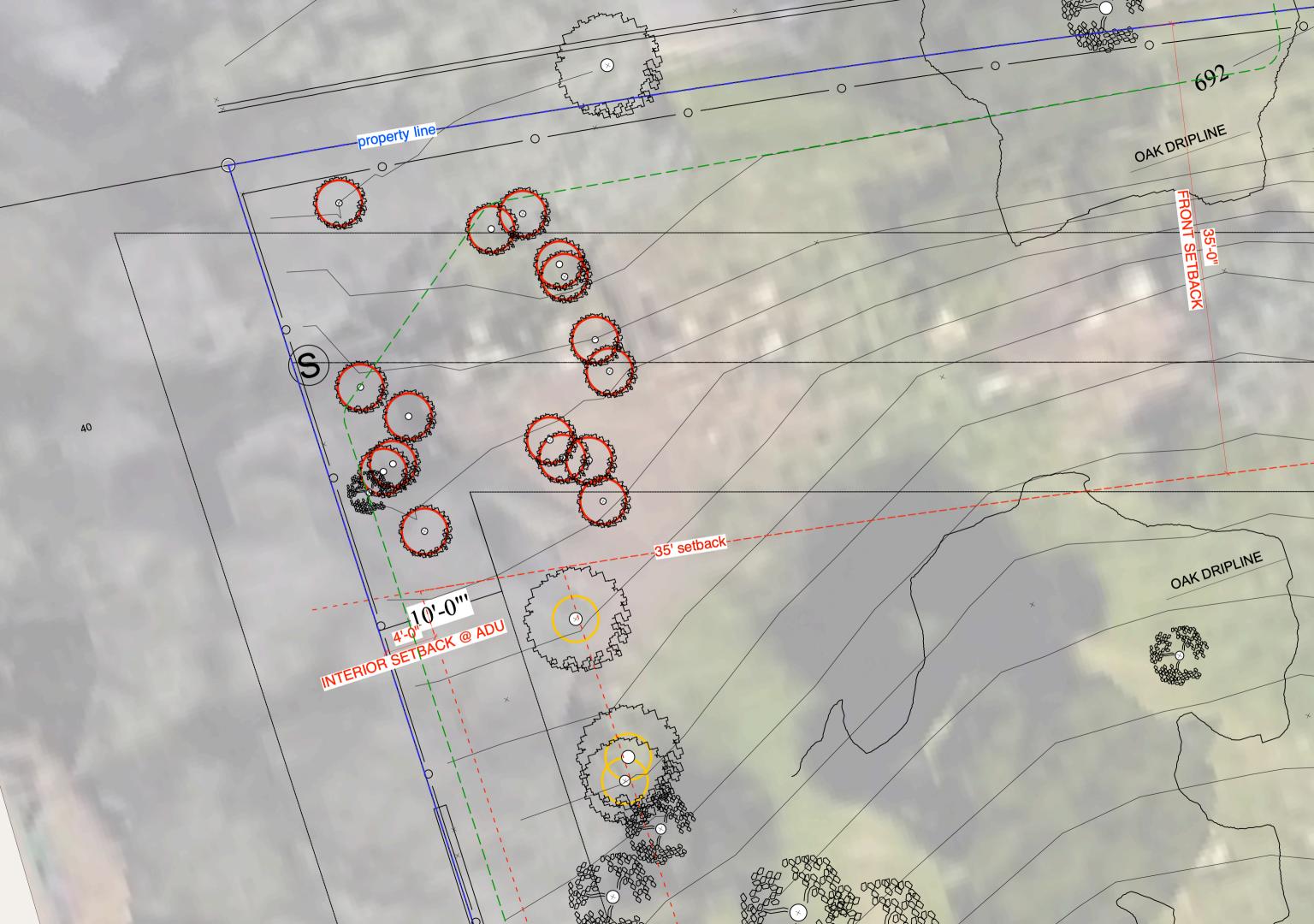
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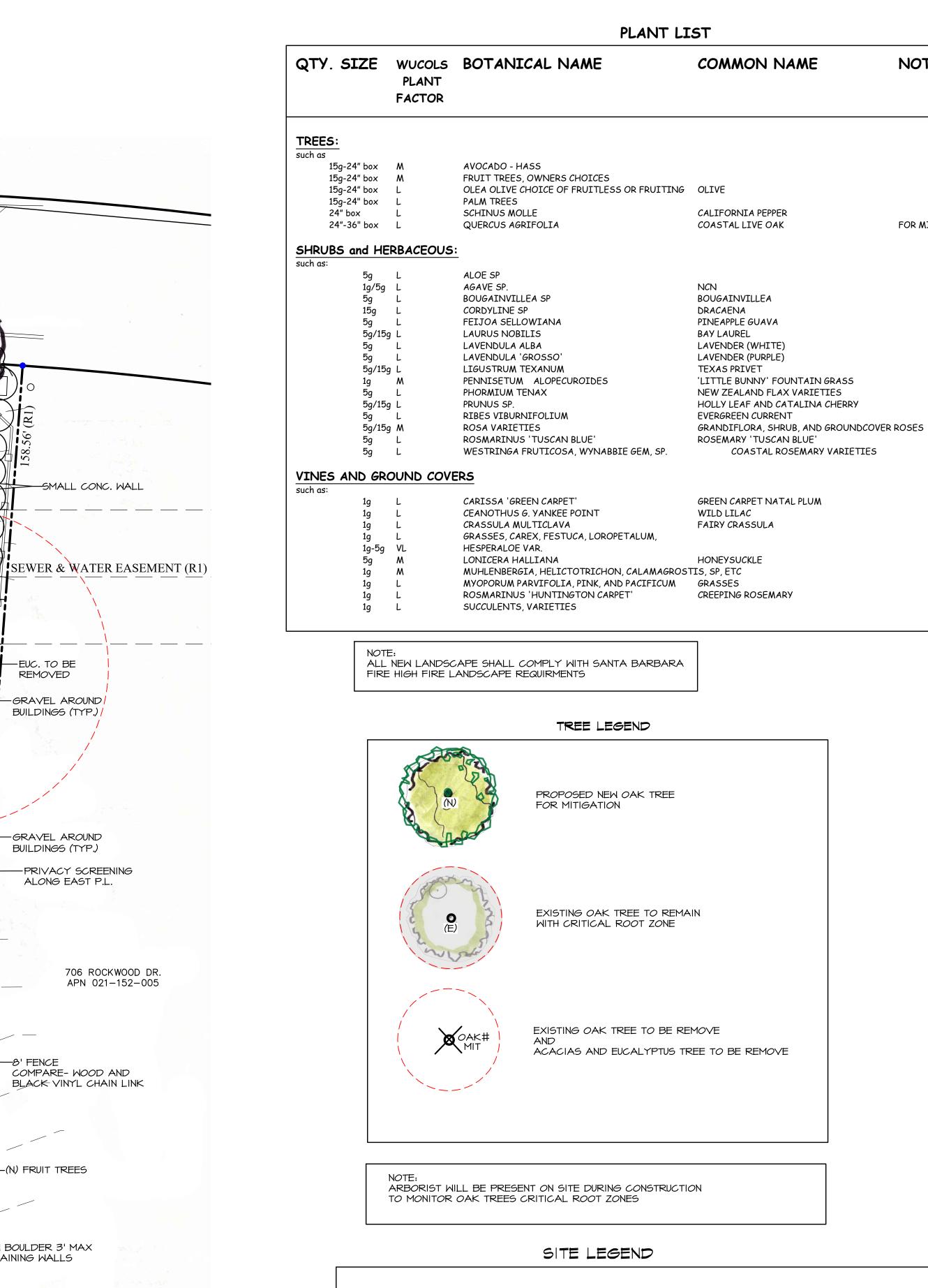


NOTES

FOR MITIGATION TREES

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PROGRESS DRAWING- NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION



(E) 42" STEEL MESH FENCE TO BE REPLACE W/ NEW WOOD FENCE

PARKING

SMALL CONC. WALL

REMOVED

-GRAVEL AROUND/ BUILDINGS (TYP.)/

-GRAVEL AROUND

BUILDINGS (TYP.)

—PRIVACY SCREENING ALONG EAST P.L.

COMPARE- WOOD AND BLACK VINYL CHAIN LINK

--(N) FRUIT TREES

— NEW BOULDER 3' MAX RETAINING WALLS

SCALE: |"= |0'-0"

W/ HORZ. OPEN SLATS 1

(PERMEABLE)

POOL

PATIO

(N) CONG. OR STONE PAVERS

+ 686.5 PE

RESIDENCE

F.F.=685.5

650 ROCKWOOD DR. APN 021-163-001

PATIO

POOL

SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SQ. FT. TOTALS
	NON-PERMEABLE SMOOTH ACID WASH COLORED CONCRETE- TB	D 2,451 SQ. FT.
	PERMEABLE PAVERS AQUALINA BY ANGELUS BLOCK INC. WITH ROCK CHIPS INSTALLED IN THE PAVER JOINTS TO ALLOW WATER TO FLOW INTO THE BASE UNDERNEATH THE PAVERS	2,314 SQ. FT.
	PERMEABLE SMOOTH ACID WASH COLORED CONCRETE- TBD	613 SQ. FT. 2,927 SQ. FT.



PERMEABLE PAVERS AQUALINA BY ANGELUS BLOCK INC. WITH ROCK CHIPS INSTALLED IN THE PAVER JOINTS TO ALLOW WATER TO FLOW INTO THE BASE UNDERNEATH THE PAVERS



ROCKWOOD DRIVE

ENTRY DRIVE

-(N) CONC. WALL

(N) CONC. OR STONE PAVERS

—3' STONE WALLS

(N) PEDESTRIAN GATE -

—16 (E) ACACIA /TO BE REMOVED

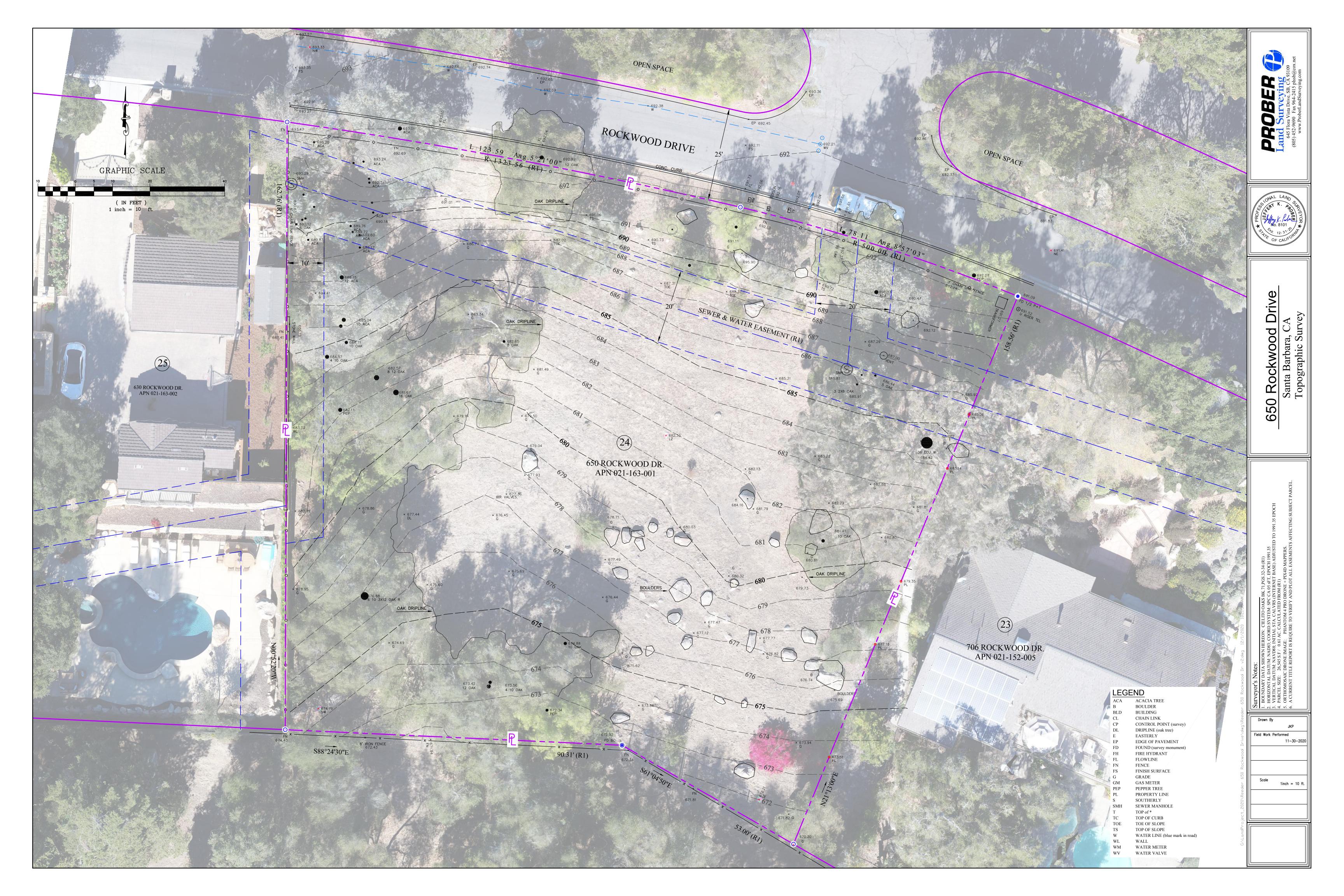
630 ROCKWOOD DR. APN 021-163-002

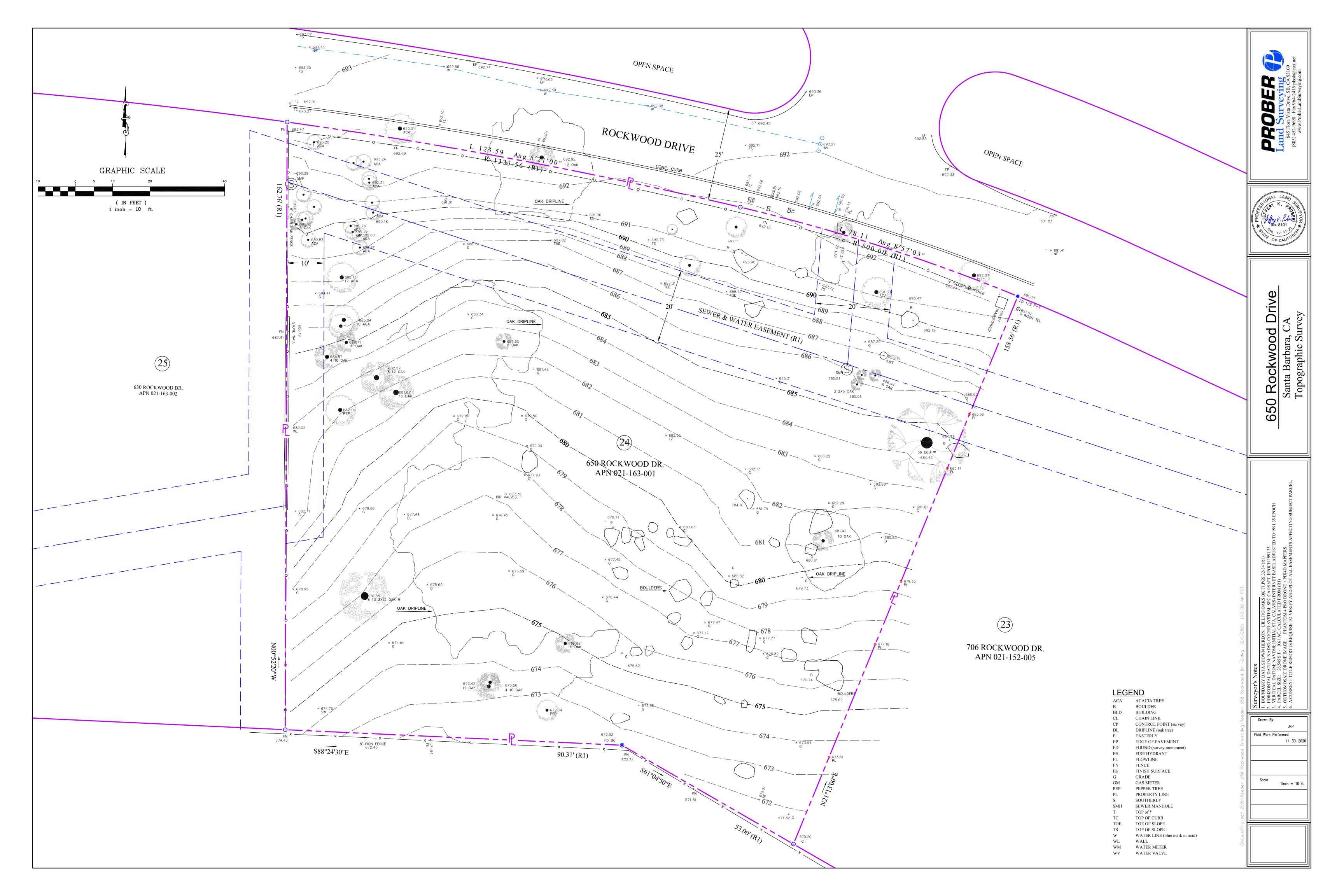
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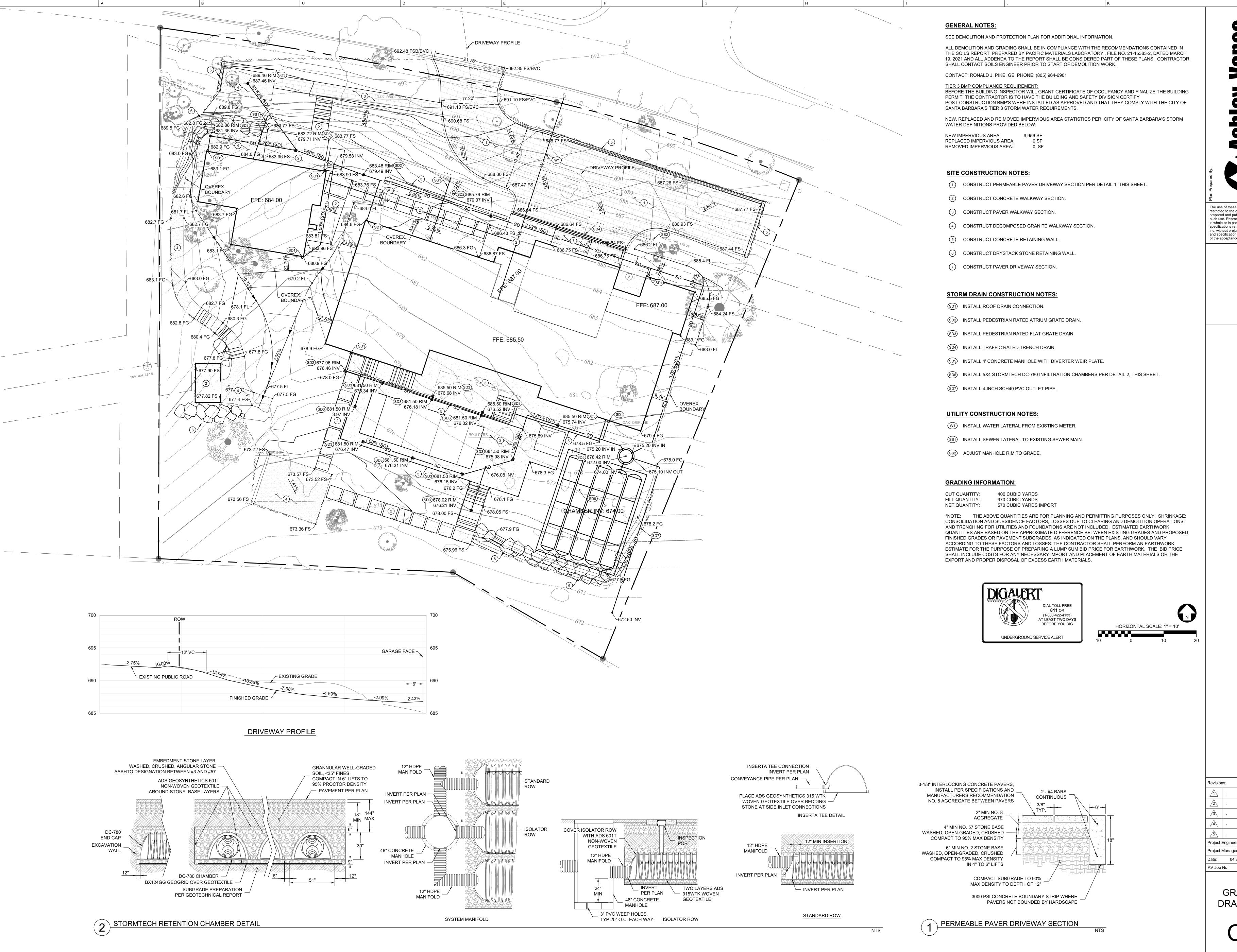
2' STONE WALL-

PATIO 4 686454 PE4

PRELIMINARY LANDSCAPE PLAN







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GRADING AND DRAINAGE PLAN