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<b>TREES</b>					
Calocedrus decurrens INCENSE CEDAR	5'*	75'	20'	Slow at 1 <sup>st</sup> , moderate after established	Evergreen, small brown cones
Casuarina equisetifolia BEEFWOOD	5'*	50'	20'	Moderate	Evergreen, small cone-like fruit (1/4" to 1")
Celtis australis EUROPEAN HACKBERRY	5'*	50'	35'	Moderate	Deciduous, small pod fruit
Celtis sinensis CHINESE HACKBERRY	5'*	40'	35'	Moderate to Fast	Deciduous, small pod fruit
Geijera parvifolia AUSTRALIAN WILLOW	5'*	25'	20'	Moderate	Evergreen, plant in power line easements, tends to blow over in shallow soils
Koelreuteria paniculata GOLDENRAIN TREE	5'*	20'-35'	30'	Moderate	Deciduous, papery fruit capsules, fall color
Lagerstroemia indica CRAPE MYRTLE	5'	25'	25'	Slow	Deciduous, brilliant colored flowers, fall color, good tree under power lines
Laurus nobilis 'Saratoga' SWEET BAY	5'*	30'	30'	Slow	Evergreen, 1/2" – 1" fruit,
Pinus canariensis CANARY ISLAND PINE	10'*	50'+	To 30'	Fast	Evergreen, 4"-9" cones,
Pinus eldarica AFGHAN PINE	10'*	50'+	To 25'	Fast	Evergreen, 4"-9" cones

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Pistacia chinensis CHINESE PISTACHE	5'*	50'	35'	Slow to Moderate	Deciduous, small red fruit, fall color
Platanus racemosa CALIFORNIA SYCAMORE	5'*	50-100'	30'+	Fast	Winter deciduous
Quercus agrifolia COAST LIVE OAK	5'*	50'	50'+	Moderate	Evergreen, exchanges leaves in Spring, Acorns
Quercus douglasii BLUE OAK	5'*	50'	35'	Slow to Moderate	Deciduous, bluish leaves, Acorns
Quercus lobata VALLEY OAK	5'*	50'	35'	Slow to Moderate	Deciduous, Acorns
Quercus morhus ORACLE OAK	5'*	20-40' (sometimes a shrub)	20'	Moderate	Evergreen
Quercus wislizenii INTERIOR LIVE OAK	5'*	50'	35'	Moderate	Evergreen
Rhus lancea AFRICAN SUMAC	5'*	25'	20'	Slow	Evergreen, pea size fruit
Robinia pseudoacacia 'Idahoensis' IDAHO LOCUST	5'*	40'	25'	Moderately Fast	Deciduous, bright magenta rose flowers, 4" long bean like pods
Schinus Molle CALIF. PEPPER TREE	10'*	40'	35'	Fast	Evergreen, copious litter, greed surface roots, small pea size berries
Schinus terebinthefolius BRAZILIAN PEPPER	5'*	30'	20'	Moderate	Evergreen-deciduous, small pea size berries that are invasive

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<b>LOW SHRUBS / GROUNDCOVERS</b>					
Arctostaphylos 'Emerald Carpet' NCN	3'	8"-14"	5'	Moderate	Evergreen, needs deep watering weekly
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi BEARBERRY	5'-7'	12"	15'	Moderate	Evergreen, small red pea sized berries
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi 'Point Reyes'	5'-7'	12"	15'	Moderate	Evergreen, small red pea sized berries
Baccharis pilularis DWARF COYOTE BUSH	3'	8" - 24"	6'	Moderate	Evergreen, Also 'Twin Peaks' and 'Pigeon Point are good varieties
Cistus crispis ROCKROSE	3'	To 3'	5'	Moderate	Evergreen. Also 'Descano' and 'Santa Cruz' - Showy flowers
Cistus salviifolius SAGELEAF ROCKROSE	3'	To 2'	6'	Moderate	Evergreen, Showy flowers
Cistus 'Sunset' (Brilliancy)	4'	To 2'	6'-8'	Moderate	Evergreen, showy flowers
Juniperus (many species)	3' to 5'	Prostrate varieties	6' - 12'	Slow to Moderate	Evergreen, Variety of green to blue colored foliage
Mahonia repens CREEPING MAHONIA	2'	To 1'	3'	Moderate	Evergreen
Myoporum parvifolium NCN	4'	1'	8'	Moderate to Fast	Evergreen
Rosemarinus officinalis 'Prostratus' ROSEMARY	3'	2'	4' - 8'	Moderate	Evergreen

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<b>PERENNIALS</b>					
Eriogonum grand rubescens RED BUCKWHEET	2'	12"	30"	Moderate	Evergreen, Showy flowers, Plant in mass
Gazania hybrids NCN (Clumping)	1'	6"	12"	Moderate	Plant only 1 gallon sized plants for survival, showy flowers, plant in mass
Gazania hybrids NCN (Trailing) 'uniflora' & 'leucolaena'	2'	6"	To 3'	Moderate to Fast	Per Plant on 1 gallon sized plants, showy flowers, Plant in mass
Origanum libanoticum SHOWY OREGANO	2'	2'	2'	Moderate	Plant in mass
<b>GRASSES</b>					
Carex barberae SANTA BARBARA SEDGE	2'	1' - 3'	Clumps	Moderate	Plant in mass
Cortaderia 'Pumila' ('Ivory Feathers')	5'	3'	4'	Moderate	Plant signally or in mass
Leymus arenarius 'Findhorn' Lyme Grass	3'	3'	3'	Moderate	Plant in mass, Can withstand some considerable heat
Muhlenbergia caillaris PINK MUHLY	4'	3'	6'	Moderate	Plant in mass, Also use the following varieties: M. emersley, M. pubescens, M. rigida
Panicum virgatum SWITCH GRASS	3'	2' - 4'	2'- 4'	Moderate	Plant in mass