GOAL
To establish a policy for the trimming and maintenance of previously topped trees in public spaces.

SCOPE:
This policy applies to previously topped trees in public spaces within the City of Duncan.

POLICY:
Previously topped trees that have been identified as a concern will be inspected by a Certified Arborist/Tree Risk Assessor who will provide a recommendation based on the following:

1. Leave the tree “as is” and perform regulation inspections;
2. If the tree is identified as an immediate safety concern, remedies will be considered in the following order:
   a. Removal of one or more tops to attempt to re-establish a dominant leader.
   b. Pruning of the tree to reduce windsail.
   c. Cabling the tops to add support.
   d. Removal of the tree.

The final determination for corrective action will be determined by the Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Public Works, based on recommendations from the Arborist or Tree Risk Assessor.