



CITY OF COSTA MESA

P.O. BOX 1200, COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA 92628-1200

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

MEDIA RELEASE

September 21, 2011

CONTACT

Bill Lobdell, (949) 887-2541

wlobdell@ci.costa-mesa.ca.us

www.ci.costa-mesa.ca.us

www.facebook.com/CostaMesaCityHall

Twitter @CityofCostaMesa

Costa Mesa to check the health of another 20 eucalyptus trees on west side of Irvine Avenue

COSTA MESA, CALIF.—Irvine Avenue is scheduled to be reopened at 5 p.m. Thursday when the City of Newport Beach finishes the removal of more than 100 eucalyptus trees between E. 17th and 19th streets deemed by arborists to be a danger to the public.

The decades-old trees straddle the Newport Beach-Costa Mesa border and are maintained by the City of Newport Beach as part of a contract between the two cities. The police departments from both cities have worked together on the Irvine Avenue closure and traffic management.

In the coming days, Costa Mesa officials will have an arborist check the health of another 20 eucalyptus trees growing on the west side of Irvine Avenue.

Last week, a motorist died on Irvine Avenue when a eucalyptus tree fell on her car.

Costa Mesa and Newport Beach officials will work with residents from both cities to select the new type of trees that will be planted as soon as possible in the Irvine Avenue median.

For more information about the road closure or tree removals, please call (949) 644-3000.