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California Urban Forests Council Announces 2012 California Urban Forestry Award Winners

San Rafael, California (October 30, 2012) - The California Urban Forests Council (CaUFC) announced today the ten recipients of the 2012 California Urban Forestry Awards. The award winners will be formally acknowledged at a luncheon at The National Partners in Community Forestry Conference in Sacramento on November 15, 2012.

The California Urban Forestry Awards honors professionals who demonstrate excellence in contributing to the process of growing and nurturing urban forestry and building strong California communities. The California Urban Forestry Awards are given for individual achievement, community achievement and organizational achievement and include annual awards in five categories: Best Urban Forestry Program, Durrell Maughn Founders Award, Fred Anderson Award – Urban Forestry Volunteer of the Year, Community Building with Trees, and Outstanding Urban Forestry Project of the Year.

Awardees were nominated by industry colleagues and selected on the basis of excellence in a category. This year's award recipients include The City of Los Angeles for The Million Trees L.A. Program, Our City Forest for the Community Nursery & Training Center; Tom Orgen for Allergy Free Gardening & Safe Sex in the Garden; and two State elected officials for their work on climate change and cap and trade.

To learn more about each award category and see the full list of recipients, visit: www.caufc.org/Awards.

"We are very excited to recognize the amazing and important work of these individuals and organizations. These recipients exemplify the best programs and contributions which bring exceptional value to our communities," said Nancy Hughes, Executive Director, California Urban Forests Council.

About California Urban Forests Council (CaUFC): California Urban Forest Council is the nation's oldest urban forest council working to sustain and expand California's urban forests to make our communities healthier and stronger. The non-profit has several programs to improve air quality, conserve and protect water, improve quality of life and contribute to the beauty to California. Visit www.caufc.org for more information.

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