Joe Branum Tree Care, Inc.

Arborists specializing in shade tree preservation

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CITY OF CALISTOGA

June 6, 2017

Erik V. Lundquist City of Calistoga Planning Commission 1232 Washington Street Calistoga, CA 94515

RE: Use Permit for Joe Branum Tree Care, Inc.

Dear Sirs:

Joe Branum Tree Care, Inc. would like to apply for a use permit at 1506 Grant Street in Calistoga. Enclosed is a Site Map of the property with the current area used by us marked as well as an aerial view of the location and a photo of the yard.

Within that 5,500 square feet used as my yard we park the following vehicles during non-working hours:

One Ford 350 Pickup Two Ford 550 Dump Trucks Two Bandit Chippers One Trailer and Reach Fork Lift One Bucket Truck

There is one small area inside the main building. It is 300 square feet. That room has a locked cage for storage for our chain saws and climbing gear. There is also a small workbench for repairs.

There are also two portable prefab storage sheds in the parking area outside. One is used as a tool shed and one is our field office. The tool shed houses our cabling parts, small tools, drills, and weed eaters. The field office houses our time cards and job crew boards. It also offers us a bit of shade for safety meetings.

Typically, at 7:00 am Monday through Friday, we have seven men on site to load gear into trucks and leave with the trucks for jobs in and around Calistoga and the Napa Valley area. We are back most days around 3:30 to unload and put things away before leaving the yard. There are times when the job takes longer and we might be there until 4:30 or 5:00 pm but that is not normal. On some Saturdays we do light maintenance. That includes tool sharpening and small repair. Also on some weekends there have been tree emergencies and we take the trucks out for those emergencies.

At the Planning Commission meeting with RO Repair, we were made aware of our neighbors' issues with noise from our yard. We do have some trucks with backup beepers. We are making every attempt to contain noise to working hours on Monday through Friday (7am - 3:30pm). We have also stopped power washing vehicles at the yard and we now go to the car wash in St. Helena to clean the trucks.

We serve our local neighbors and we want to be fair and respectful to them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kerry Joe Branum, owner

SITE MAP



