

# **THE PRESERVE Oak Trimming Schedule**

Pruning of oaks is **prohibited from February 1st through June 30th** in The Preserve at Dripping Springs. This is the highest risk season for new oak wilt infections.

Certain exceptions may be made for public safety or potential property damage issues. Consent must be obtained in advance from the HOA Board.

## **Oak pruning permitted July through January**

Oaks may be pruned from July 1st through January 31st. The risk of oak wilt infection is lower during this seven-month period than it is in springtime, but not zero. **Pruning seal must be applied to all cuts of all sizes on oaks within ten minutes** - the sooner the better.



The safest time to prune oaks is during the coldest winter months of November, December and early to mid-January. Oak pruning should be scheduled during this period whenever possible.

The second best time to prune oaks is in July and August during scorching summer temperatures.

September and October carry a higher risk level than the hottest and coldest periods, but not as high as the springtime months of February through June. Prune with caution when temperatures are moderate.

If there is a known outbreak of Oak Wilt, there is to be no trimming at any time without consent obtained in advance from the HOA Board.