

LARGE TREE MOVING

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1. immediate shade and vegetative cover at rest areas.
2. softening touches around overpasses, interchanges, and service buildings.
3. a means of saving quality trees and rare species which would otherwise be destroyed during construction.
4. a means of establishing noise barriers, headlight glare screens, and greenbelts along urban and suburban roadways.
5. a means of establishing aesthetically appealing, special facilities (one of our projects was designed to stimulate actual driving conditions by creating blind corners at a driver examination center).

Along with having this multitude of uses, large tree transplanting has proven very successful and very economical in practice.

Large wild or woods collected material can be successfully transplanted if good horticultural practices are employed in the transplanting work. Once the tree has been moved, water must be applied in sufficient quantities and at regular intervals to prevent crown die-

back from occurring.

Crown dieback, from whatever cause, is the most common, adverse effect of the transplanting technique, and is the warning flag of improper project planning.

Proper project planning is an exacting science which requires the balancing of many interrelated factors, some of which have been mentioned here. The Minnesota Department of Highways, through five years of experience in transplanting, has found that large tree moving is a viable landscaping tool which will be used with greater frequency in the coming years. □

Special Wage/Hour Summary Published by AAN and NLA

The American Association of Nurserymen, in cooperation with the National Landscape Association, has recently published a "Special Summary of Wage/Hour Laws Affecting Government Contracts." This summary has been prepared by the AAN and NLA staffs jointly with the AAN attorneys to inform nursery businessmen, in plain non-legalistic language, how wage-hour laws affect firms which obtain government contracts.

"Many AAN firms bid on govern-

ment contracts, particularly those which provide landscape services," points out Leo Donahue, administrator of the American Association of Nurserymen. "Both AAN and NLA have published in their respective newsletters information on the wage-hour aspects of bidding such contracts. There is nowhere, however," Donahue comments, "a brief publication summarizing the wage-hour laws affecting government contracts. That was our objective in writing this special summary."

Lack of knowledge in this specific area can prove extremely costly. Some firms have avoided bidding government contracts because of the complexity of the wage-hour laws. Therefore, this special summary should prove welcome news to all AAN firms involved in this particular area of landscaping. The AAN urges nursery businessmen to seek the advice of their attorneys regarding any specific problems which they may encounter.

The "Special Summary of Wage/Hour Laws Affecting Government Contracts" is available only to AAN members. It can be purchased for \$2.00 by writing the AAN, 230 Southern Building, Washington, D.C. 20005.



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