

## ABSTRACT

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**ABSTRACT:** Developed by the Rhode Island Statewide Planning Program, in cooperation with the R.I. Department of Environmental Management, Division of Forest Environment, and the R.I. Tree Council, *the Rhode Island Urban and Community Forest Plan* establishes a vision, goal, and policies and provides recommendations focused on the management of tree resources within the built environment. When construed and applied in conjunction with the State Forest Resources Management Plan (*Rhode Island Forest Resources Management Plan*, State Guide Plan Element 161, 1984) this guidance is intended to advance the effectiveness of local stewardship of the state's tree resources towards the twin goals of a healthy, sustainable economy *and* environment. As an element of the State Guide Plan, the Urban and Community Forest Plan sets forth goals and policies that must, under State law, be reflected in future updates of local comprehensive plans.