

# ZONE A (CRITICAL ROOT ZONE)

The Critical Root Zone is the area under a tree measuring 1 foot of radius per 1 inch of diameter at breast height (DBH) from the trunk outwards and 24 inches in depth. For example: for a 10 inch dbh tree, the Critical Root Zone is located at least 10 feet out from the trunk and 24 inches deep.

#### **RESTRICTIONS**

- No disturbance allowed without site-specific inspection and approval of methods to minimize root damage.
- If roots larger than 2" IN DIA. are encountered, inspection and approval is required before proceeding trenching/excavation work.
- 3. Tunneling is required to install lines 3'-0" below grade or deeper.

## **ZONE C (FEEDER ROOT ZONE)**

The Feeder Root Zone is the area under a tree measuring 2 feet of radius per 1 inch of DBH from the trunk outwards and 24 inches in depth. For example: for a ten inch diameter tree, The Critical Root Zone is located at least 20 feet out from the trunk and 24 inches deep.

### **RESTRICTIONS**

- Operation of heavy equipment and/or stockpiling of materials subject to approval. \*Surface protection measures required
- Trenching permitted as follows:

   excavation by hand or WITH hand-driven trencher maybe required
   Minimize trench width to the extent possible
   Maintain 2/3 or more of ZONE C in an

undisturbed condition

## **ZONE B (DRIP LINE)**

The Drip Line is the area below the tree in which the boundary is designated by the edge of the tree's crown.

#### **RESTRICTIONS**

- Operation of heavy equipment and/or stockpiling of materials subject to approval. \*Surface protection measures required
- 2. Trenching permitted as follows:
  - -Excavation by hand or with a hand-driven trencher may be required
  - -Minimize trench width to the extent possible
  - -No disturbance permitted within ZONE A
  - -Maintain 2/3 or more of zone b in an undisturbed condition
- 3. Tunneling may be required for trenches deeper than 3'-0"

### \*SURFACE PROTECTION MEASURES

- 1. Wood chip mulch layer, 6"-12" depth; or
- 2. 4" wood chip mulch layer under 3/4" plywood; or
- 3. 4" gravel over staked geotextile fabric
- 4. 4" wood chip mulch layer under steel plates;
- 5. 4" wood chip mulch layer under logging road mats

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