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Susan,

I talked with Tim about this and I will now be involved in this meeting. This is a bit of a **grey area** in the code and we will discuss this further.
Generally tree can be pruned to our standards without a permit.
Development occurs at 500sq' of new impervious surface or gross floor area.

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Schedule an inspection: [Inspection Scheduling](#)

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From: Susan Mattison <susan@mattison.me>
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Hi Tim -

I am inquiring about CPD pre-application PRE21-053 on Maker Street.

The owner is currently taking out major branches of a legacy oak tree holding up a steep slope and putting the future health of this amazing tree at risk.

Had a developer purchased this property, would he be held to different standards regarding significant tree pruning?

At what point is a property owner a “developer” with respect to development of this property?

We are trying to understand the code, and how relates to this and other properties on the island.

Thank you,

Susan Mattison