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## What's Up?

**Tree mitigation calculations for tree removal permits differ in many cities.**



We have been getting questions in the last month about valuing trees for mitigation to include values of benefits that are lost. One mitigation calculation used in municipal codes that is more inclusive for valuing all tree benefits is the Trunk Formula Method (a nationwide tree appraisal calculation referenced in many municipal codes for valuing urban trees). Examples of using this calculation in Florida include: City of Miami, Broward County, City of Plantation, City of Pompano Beach (most extensive use of calculation-based mitigation valuation), City of Tampa, and many others. Copies of any of these codes are available on the Internet, and most can be found on the Municode's website.