



James M. Barborinas, Principal

President and founder of Urban Forestry Services, Inc., in 1990, has worked throughout the Puget Sound Region with large and small communities, landscape architects, engineers, developers, housing authorities, school districts and private citizens on many urban forest issues. He has provided tree evaluations, tree protection specifications, design review, and monitoring for contract compliance for mature and new landscape trees on numerous sites, including several Seattle and King County Housing projects over the last 25 years. He has provided numerous tree assessments and appraisals of trees and vegetation in anticipation of the ongoing Sound Transit projects for the last several years. Just recently a preliminary and onsite tree risk analysis was completed for the Sound Transit Lynnwood and Federal Way Link Extensions.

He has helped to develop Urban Forest Strategy Plans for the communities of Tacoma, Sumner, Mount Vernon, Puyallup, and Marysville. He is the On-call Arborist for several communities including Snoqualmie, Mount Vernon, La Conner, Stanwood, Duval, North Bend and Lake Forest Park. He has performed thousands of street, park, and forest, tree evaluations for risk assessment, maintenance, and specifications for challenging landscape installation requirements. Jim specializes in providing documentation on trees to be retained near construction activities, and recommendations on how to protect trees and perform work near them while minimizing tree damage.

Project Experience

Urban Forestry Services, Inc., Mount Vernon, WA (1990-Current)

- **Sound Transit Lynnwood Link Extension:** Provided Preliminary Summary of tree risk analysis for the entire 8.5-mile extension for North Corridor Transit Partners, LLC coordinated through Swift Company. Coordinated location, analysis and documentation of over 8,000 trees in GIS retrievable format.
- **Sound Transit Federal Way Link Extension:** Coordinated field tree risk analysis for the entire 8-mile extension for HDR Engineering Inc. Coordinated location, analysis and documentation of over 11,000 trees in GIS Retrievable format.
- **Polygon Norwest Company:** Providing tree assessment and documentation, tree protection planning, specifications and onsite monitoring for several Puget Sound developments.
- **Cities of Snoqualmie, Mount Vernon, LaConner, Anacortes, Stanwood, North Bend, and other municipalities-** periodic arboricultural consultation, including hazard tree assessments, landscape plan reviews, installation monitoring and landscape appraisals
- **Lake Washington School District:** Tree evaluation and protection plans. Projects include Rose Hill High and Benjamin Rush School in Redmond, International Community School and Belle School in Kirkland, STEM School in King County, and East Lake Sammamish High School in Sammamish, WA.
- **Public Housing Projects, Holly Park I, II, and III, Rainier Vista High Point, Lake City Village, Yesler Terrace in Seattle, and Salishan and Hilltop in Tacoma.**

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Total Years of Experience: 41
Years as UFS Principal: 25

Education:

B.S. Outdoor Resource Management, School of Forestry, Southern Illinois University, IL 1973

M.S. Outdoor Resource Management, School of Forestry, Southern Illinois University, IL 1978

Professional Registrations:

ISA Certified Arborist, International Society of Arboriculture, since 1991

ISA Tree Risk Assessment Qualified, International Society of Arboriculture, since 2004

Registered Consulting Arborist, American Society of Consulting Arborists, since 1997

- **Lake, Birch Creek, Greenbridge, Seola Gardens, Green River Homes, and others in King County, WA:** Providing tree Inventory, evaluation tree retention, including landscape installation and maintenance over-site services, for Seattle Housing Authority.
- **Swift & Company, Inc:** (Partial List) Multiple projects for trees assessments for development, hazard tree analysis and tree protection plans. Of note: Seattle Monorail - detailed evaluation of trees impacted. Discovery Park, Seattle, WA - vegetation assessment, scotchbroom management, revegetation plan. Sound Transit - tree assessment, protection and transplanting on Capitol Hill and University of Washington Campus sites. Bainbridge Island, Winslow - downtown tree assessment for major improvements.
- **Hough, Beck & Baird, Inc.:** (Partial List) Multiple projects for tree assessments, tree appraisals, tree protection plans, onsite construction monitoring including multiple projects within the City of Seattle; of note: City of Kenmore - Urban Forest Strategic Plan. Eddie Bauer Campus Expansion, Redmond - tree evaluation. City of Everett - tree assessment for road improvements.
- **Mithun:** Lewis Hall Renovation - tree assessment, protection, specifications, monitoring during construction. Tree evaluation at Cedar River Visitor Center, North Bend, WA.
- **West Point Sewage Treatment Plant with CH2M Hill:** Developing native plant palette, installation and layout specifications for site restoration work for Discovery Park drilling sites, existing site protection measures and landscape installation monitoring for contract compliance. Involved the contract growing of over 2 million dollars' worth of native plants. Post Point Sewage Plant, Bellingham, WA, and similar work as above work.
- **Danadjieva and Koeing:** Tiburon, CA. Environmental Planners METRO'S Secondary Sewage Treatment System at West Point near Discovery Park. Horticultural reconnaissance of Discovery Park hillside for proposed dewatering. Landscape habitat research for design, native plant procurement, and installation strategies.
- **University of Washington:** University of Washington Medical Center - tree evaluation and retention services, monitor transplanting of 40" and 50" diameter giant sequoia.
- **Northwest Trek Wildlife Park:** Tacoma, WA, Native landscape plant design, installation, and supervision, present Cat Country, Wetlands, Grizzly Bear fox and Coyote Exhibits, landscape layout, plant procurement, installation supervision.
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In addition to providing arboricultural consultation, Jim, and his wife, Annie, also own and operate **Urban Forest Nursery, Inc.**, a 32acre wholesale tree nursery, in the Skagit Valley, specializing in growing high quality street and landscape trees including over 180 cultivars. Trees are specifically selected and grown for characteristics that complement the limited planting spaces and adverse conditions typical of urban planting sites today. From his knowledge of growing trees, he is particularly adamant about soil preparation and proper tree selection regarding location, installation and maintenance.

UFN, Inc. trees are sold to brokers and contractors, but also directly to the cities of Seattle, Tacoma, Olympia, Bellevue, Everett, Mount Vernon, Bellingham, Hoquiam, and others. Trees are also shipped to British Columbia and Alaska.



The knowledge and experience of growing hundreds of old and new varieties, provides Jim with valuable information when selecting, planting and maintaining these trees in the landscape. He encourages anyone in the industry to take time to visit the nursery, learn more about the multiple varieties available and understand the importance of diversity of their use in the landscape.