

# Urban Forestry Commission / Urban Forest Interdepartmental Team Joint Meeting

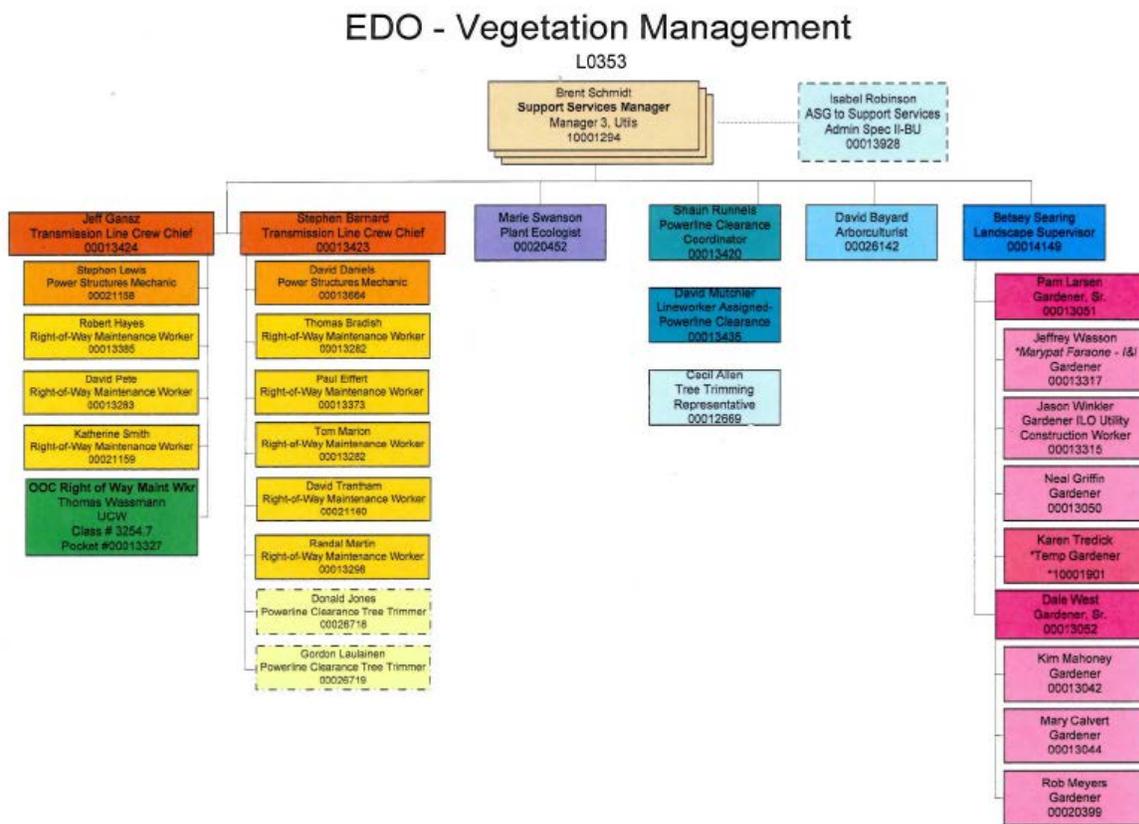
October 12, 2011  
Camp Long, 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Department:** Seattle City Light

**Urban forestry Role:** prunes trees in the utility corridor to maintain electrical safety and reliability and, when necessary, replaces trees.

**Urban forestry vision:** reduce vegetation conflicts with electrical system through appropriate plant selection, planting and maintenance.

**Organization:**



August 24, 2011 DMK

**Priorities:**

- Maintain vegetation clearances to increase safety and reliability of electrical system
- Comply with applicable federal and state electrical regulations and codes
- Operate in a manner that is compatible with the long-term sustainability of the ecosystems that we affect

**Regulatory role:** Only electrically qualified tree workers may work within 10’ of energized electrical lines

**Budget/funding sources:**

2012 budget: \$5,500,000

Funding sources: SCL ratepayers

Planting: 2%

Maintenance: 2%

Pruning:

- Routine: 90%
- Emergency: 4%

Outreach: 1% (included in Seattle reLeaf program).

**Level of service:**

<b>UFMP Goal Level of Service</b>	<b>Current Level of Service</b>	<b>Tree Planting</b>
<b><u>SCL</u></b> 4-year line clearance trimming cycle	4-year trimming cycle system- wide.  \$5.5M contracted services	SCL replaces trees in the ROW when necessary to maintain electrical safety and reliability