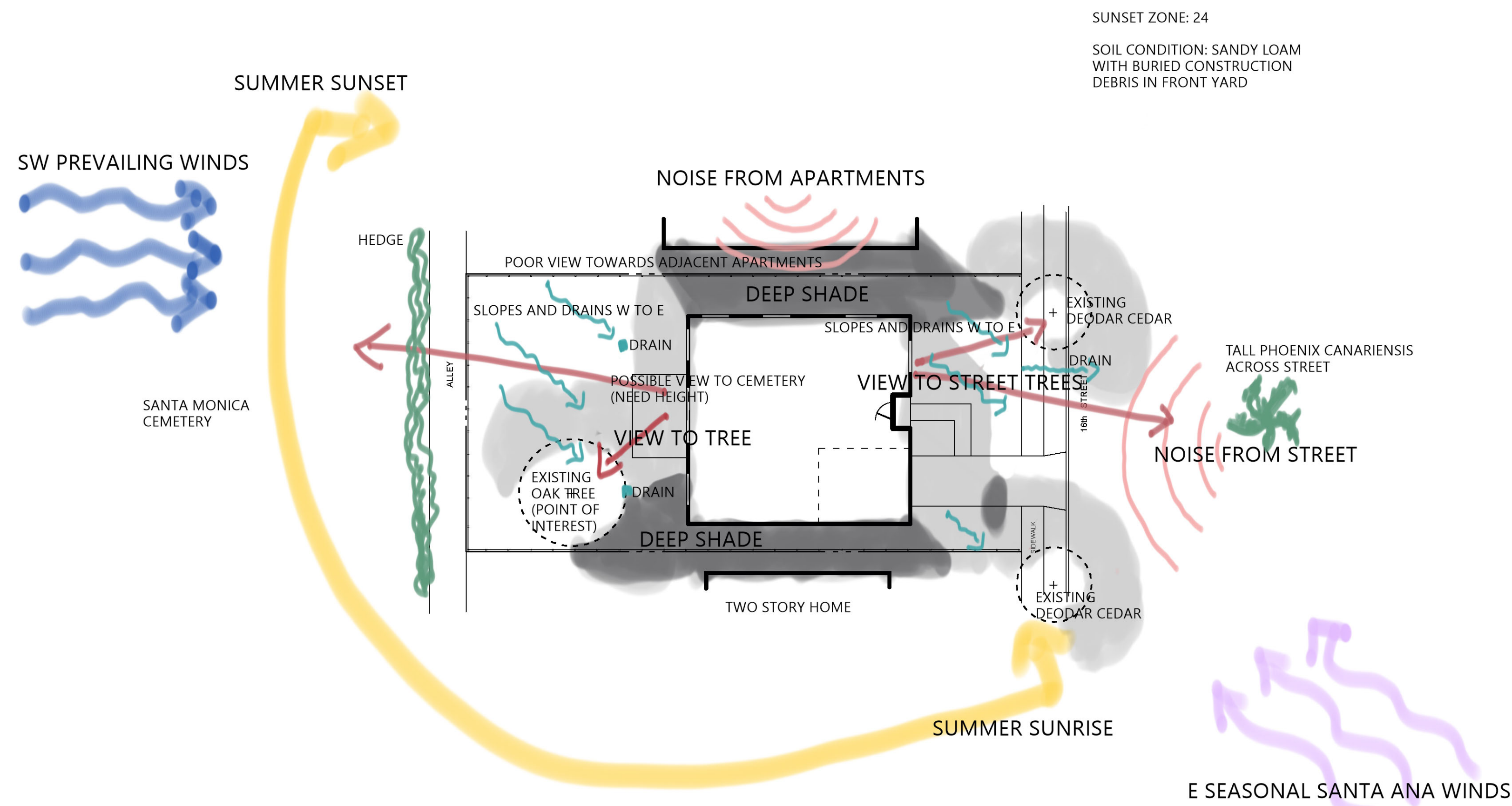
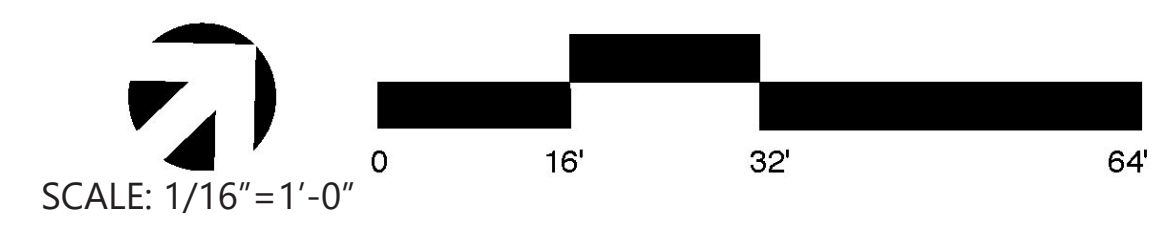
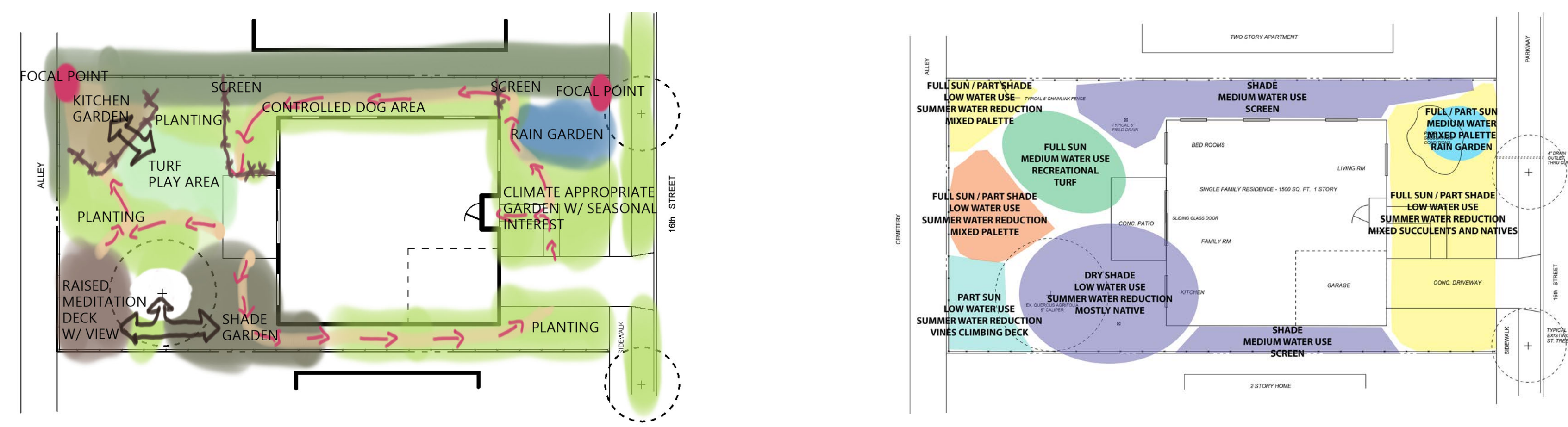


SITE ANALYSIS



AREA USE DIAGRAM HYDROZONE PLANNING



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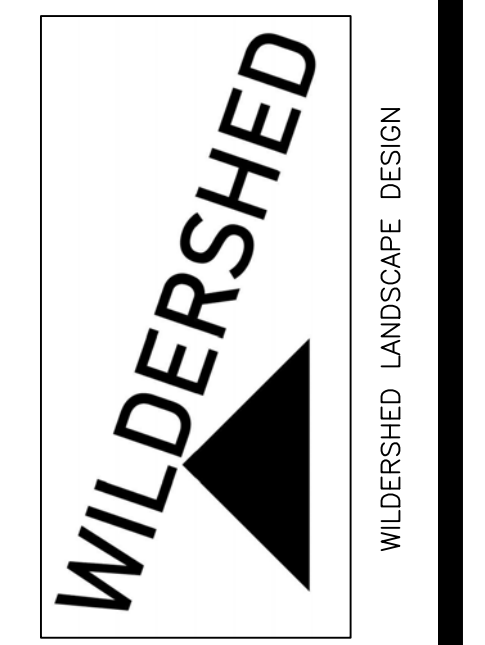
Designing a yard for a young couple with a dog and a small child is about striking a balance between the practical and the picturesque. A controlled space for the dog, a turf play area for the kid, a kitchen garden, and a meditation retreat for the parents—these are practical elements requested by the client. The goal is to integrate those elements into a thriving and environmental planted landscape.

This design confines the dog run primarily to the northern side yard, which allows ample room for the dog without dominating the backyard space. It is important to have an easily accessible turf area for the child's recreation. However, we made sure to limit it to less than 25% of the total landscaped area for aesthetic and water conservation reasons. A kitchen garden is nestled in the far western corner of the backyard, where it will receive the most sun. A raised meditation (and possibly dining) deck is hidden behind the oak tree in the opposite back corner of the yard. This raised deck will open up a view of the adjacent cemetery, a valuable but completely unused asset of the property.

As for the planting plan, the back and front yards are separated into distinct hydrozones with different water requirements and sun exposure. A shade garden is located in the back under the oak tree where the house provides abundant shade. The rest of the backyard planting area is located in full sun/part shade and contains a mix of native plants and seasonal color. The northern fence is lined with alternating hedges to screen views from the adjacent apartment building. The southern fence is covered with vines. The front yard is a mixed plant palette with succulents and shrubs. A rain garden for stormwater infiltration is located in the northern corner. To construct this, the underground debris in that area of the yard would have to be excavated. In the far northern corner, behind the rain garden, is a raised mound with a Catalina Ironwood specimen tree that acts as a focal point. Two other large specimen succulents, an *Aloe plicatilis* and an *Agave americana* var. *mediopicta* 'Alba,' add additional interest to the front. *Dymondia margaretae* line most of the paths in the front and back because they are hardy and can handle light traffic. Nearly all plants have low or very low water requirements and do best with summer water reduction. The areas that require medium water requirements are the turf play area, citrus kitchen garden, northern side yard hedges, and front rain garden.

Most of the chosen plants require well-draining soil, so the existing sandy loam is perfectly adequate. Some slight soil amendment of additional non-organic material might be needed and as always, spraying the area with compost tea right after planting will help soil microbe health. Recommended irrigation is 1/2 inch drip tubing.

With the right touch, this garden will become an oasis for humans and wildlife, seamlessly blending the functional and the beautiful.



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Fortunella obovata
"Fukushu"
Fukushu Kumquat
3-5' H, 5' W
Medium Water Usage
Well-Drained Soil
Year Round Fruit

Citrus x sinensis
"Washington"
Washington Navel Orange
10' H, 10' W
Medium Water Usage
Well-Drained Soil

Leymus condensatus
"Canyon Prince"
Canyon Prince Rye Grass, Wild Rye
2-3' H, 2-3' W
Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms Wheat in Summer
Cut back at the end of the year

Festuca arundinacea
"Marathon II"
Marathon II Sod
High Water Use
Adaptable Soil

Erigeron glaucus
Seaside Daisy
<1' H, 1-2' W
Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms Lavendar in Spring/Summer

Eriogonum grande
var. **rubescens**
Red-Flowered Buckwheat
2-3' H, 2-3' W
Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms Red in Spring

Baccharis pilularis
"Pigeon Point"
Dwarf Coyote Brush
1-2' H, 8-10' W
Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Adaptable Soil
No Noticeable Bloom

Ceanothus hearstorum
Hearst Ranch Buckbrush
<1' H, 6-8' W
Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms Blue in Spring

African Fern Pine
40' H, 20-40' W
Medium Water Usage
Adaptable Soil
Trim to keep hedge right height

Prunus laurocerasus
"Otto Luyken"
English Laurel
12' H, 6' W
Medium Water Usage
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms White in Spring

Vegetable Planters

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EX. QUERCUS AGRIFOLIA
5" CALIPER

Carpenteria californica
Bush Anemone
4-8' H, 3-5' W
Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms White in Spring/Summer

Salvia "Bee's Bliss"
Bee's Bliss Salvia
1-2' H, 6-8' W
Very Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Adaptable Soil
Blooms Lavendar in Spring

Pelargonium graveolens
Scented Rose Geranium
3' H, 3' W
Low Water Usage
Adaptable Soil

Ceanothus thyrsoiflorus
var. **griseus "Diamond Heights"**
Diamond Heights Carmel Creeper
1' H, 4-6' W
Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Adaptable Soil
Blooms Blue in Spring

Typical 5' Chainlink Fence

Typical 6" Field Drain

ENCLOSED DOG AREA

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RAISED MEDITATION DECK WITH VIEW OF CEMETERY

SLIDING GLASS DOOR

Thunbergia grandiflora
Sky Flower Vine
15-20' L
Medium Water Usage
Adaptable Soil
Blooms Blue in Spring

Rosmarinus officinalis
Rosemary
3-5' W, 3-5' H
Very Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Well-Drained Soil Preferred
Blooms Blue in Spring/Summer

Dymondia margaretae
Silver Carpet
<1' H, 1-2' W
Low Water Usage
Reduce Summer Water
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms Yellow in Summer

Carex divulsa
Berkeley Sedge, European Grey Sedge
1-2' H, 1-2' W
Medium Water Usage
Adaptable Soil
Blooms Brown in Spring

Lyonthamnus floribundus
subsp. **asplenifolius**
(specimen)

Catalina Ironwood
20-30' H
15-20' W
Low Water Usage
Reduce Summer Water
Well-Drained Soil Preferred
Blooms White in Summer

Asparagus densiflora "Meyers"
Meyers Asparagus
2' H, 3-4' W
Medium Water Usage
Adaptable Soil
Blooms White in Summer

Agave americana
var. **medio-picta "Alba"**
(specimen)

White-Striped Century Plant
4-6' H, 4-6' W
Very Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms Yellow/Green Infrequently
Keep back from pedestrians/paths

Aloe plicatilis
(specimen)

Fan Aloe
20-30' H
10-20' W
Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms Red in Winter/Spring

Aloe striata
Coral Aloe
2-3' H, 3' W
Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms Red in Winter Spring

Blue Chalk Sticks
1' H, 2' W
Low Water, Well-Drained Soil Preferred
Blooms White in Summer/Fall
Cut and replant to keep dense

Lampranthus productus
Purple Ice Plant
1' H, 1-2' W
Low Water Usage
Summer Water Reduction
Well-Drained Soil
Blooms purple year round

2 STORY HOME

2 STORY APARTMENT

ALTERNATING HEDGE SCREEN

PARKWAY

4" DRAIN OUTLET THRU CURB

EXISTING CEDRUS DEODARA

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16th STREET

SIDEWALK

CONC. DRIVEWAY

GARAGE

Garage

LIVING RM

BED ROOMS

FAMILY RM

KITCHEN

KITCHEN GARDEN

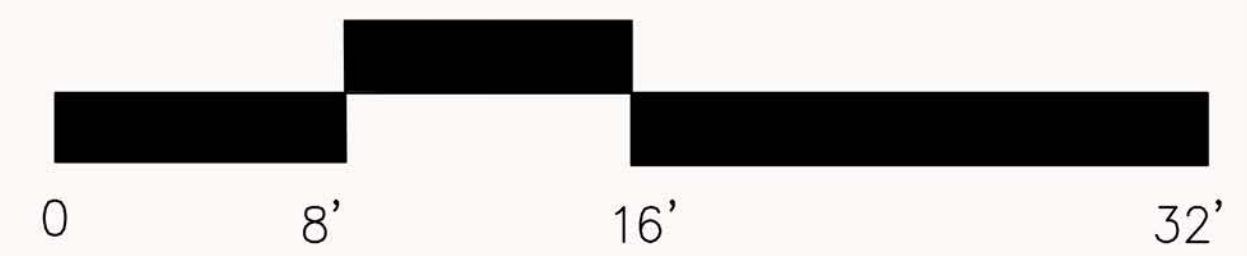
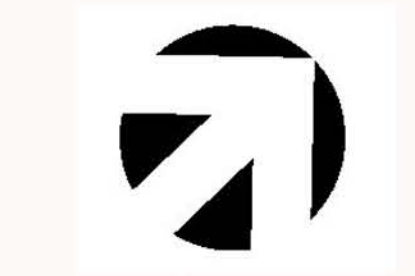
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