

Forms, Functions and Values of Treescapes (Natural and Urban)

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Treescapes are environments and landscapes in which trees play a major role. These types of environments can be found within forests, as well as in agricultural and urban areas. Treescapes offer a variety of social, economic, and environment benefits to the community, such as resilience to climate change through carbon sequestration and flood attenuation, improved health outcomes, increasing property values, supporting agriculture, providing habitats, and benefiting biodiversity.

Recent reports from the IPCC confirmed the need to remove fossil fuels from our economy, but in order to reduce CO₂ in the atmosphere, it is necessary to put much more carbon back into the landscape. To achieve this, more plant matter and more soil carbon are needed; and, consequently, this means more trees, which are considered an essential part of urban infrastructure and are crucial to the liveability and economic and environmental sustainability of cities. [...]

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