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Request summary

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Your request

I'm on the hunt for any and all chatter, banter, discourse, memos, post-its, carrier pigeon messages, smoke signals, and interpretive dances related to our leafy legend, the one and only "Stumpy." Whether it's a casual mention in a park ranger's diary or a formal proclamation declaring Stumpy's undeniable charm, I want to leaf no stone unturned.

Additional information

Are you seeking these records from a particular park, refuge, site, or other location?

In my quest to unearth records, I'm digging deep for a site of unbe-leaf-able national significance, a place where history and nature intertwine like a well-executed vine handshake. This magical spot is tucked away in the southeast pocket of the Tidal Basin, right in the pulsing heart of Washington D.C. It's just a pebble's toss from the majesty of the Jefferson Memorial, where even the statues might crane their necks to get a better look. It is here, amidst this bustling tableau of history and nature, that a living legend named Stumpy stakes his ground. Stumpy, America's Cherry Tree, our Bark Twain of the arboreal world, stands tall and proud. He's more than just a tree, he's a leafy lighthouse, a trunk of tenacity set against the backdrop of our nation's capital. Stumpy, the underbark hero we never knew we needed, is the root of our request and the sap of our national spirit.

Fees

What type of requester are you?

other

Fee waiver

yes

Fee waiver justification

With all the leafy modesty of a humble cherry tree, I'm reaching out to request a fee waiver for this FOIA request. You see, the information I'm after is about as popular as a squirrel at a nut convention. It's all about Stumpy, the cherry tree who's a bigger hit than a woodpecker at a drumming contest. Stumpy's not just another pretty face in the grove. He's a living legend, a beloved figure within the local community, and has sparked more nationwide attention than a squirrel on a jet ski. Grasping the potential impact of the Tidal Basin project on Stumpy and his leafy buddies is a critical piece of the puzzle for understanding environmental stewardship, historical preservation, and public engagement with our nation's capital's natural spaces. Now, I'm not after this information for a spot of tree gossip, nor am I looking to make a quick buck from Stumpy's tale. Instead, I'm planning to spread the word far and wide, just like a dandelion spore on a breezy day. This is all about shedding light on government operations and activities, and what better way to do that than through the story of our nation's favorite cherry tree? By granting a fee waiver, you'd be helping to keep the spotlight on Stumpy, ensuring his tale of bark and bravery continues to resonate in the public sphere. Think of it as your good deed for the day, like planting a seed for future generations to enjoy. Your consideration in this matter would be as appreciated as a shady spot on a hot summer's day.

The amount of money you’re willing to pay in fees, if any

150

Request expedited processing

Expedited processing

yes

Justification for expedited processing

Respectfully, and with a sense of urgency that parallels the pace at which cherry blossoms fall in a gentle spring breeze, I request expedited processing for this FOIA request. The subject of this request, Stumpy, America's Cherry Tree, is entangled in a twiggy situation that has the potential to shake up public understanding of a significant historical and environmental issue. Stumpy, our beloved arboreal hero, is in the path of the Tidal Basin project, and his fate hangs in the balance like a cherry on a particularly breezy day. The public has a ripe interest in this unfolding story, and any delay in processing could mean we're left in the shade, uninformed and rootless. Given that nature and construction projects have a tendency to move at their own pace (much like a determined tortoise or an especially lethargic hare), there's a risk that any delay in obtaining this information could render it as outdated as last season's leaf fashion. Therefore, the need for speed is of the essence! In a nutshell (or in our case, a cherry pit), I certify that my claims for expedited processing are as true and solid as the bark on Stumpy himself. Expedited processing is essential to ensure the public isn't left barking up the wrong tree about this pressing matter. Your swift attention to this request would be greatly appreciated and would surely help to leaf a positive impression on public understanding of this significant environmental and historical issue.



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