

EVERGREEN TREES FOR WIND BREAKS IN MERCED COUNTY

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Scotch Pine – OK for saline and sodic soils

Aleppo Pine – can handle water logging

Afghan Pine – *Pinus Ederica* – fast growing – like a Monterey Pine

Afghanistan Pine – fast growing

Canary Island pine

Cedars

Deodar cedar

Salt Cedar – OK for saline and sodic soils

Tamarack – OK for saline and sodic soils

Eucalyptus – tolerate poor soils, choose species that don't have lerp psyllid problems

Coastal redwoods *Sequoia sempervirons*

Notes:

Most pine trees prefer a pH of 6.5 or less

Never plant Monterey Pine or Douglas Fir in the SJV – they do not tolerate heat and are short-lived

Leland Cypress is relatively short-lived in the Central Valley as it often get canker diseases and borers. The Arizona Cypress has fewer problems. While both are popular for screens – neither are tall enough to be really good wind breaks.