Native Trees that could be used in public spaces for shade and wildlife

Name	Water	height	Other
<u>Palo Verde</u>	Ext, Very	15-29	Long lived, yellow flowers, small leaves
Desert Museum	Low		Fast growing with water
Desert Willow	low	20	Beautiful fragrant flowers, heat tolerant, well behaved
			roots, tough and easy,
Toyon	Low	8-25	Long lived, Fast growing. Beautiful berries
			evergreen
Lemonade berry	Ext low	30	Hedge, easily sheered and shaped
			Cultural plant, 13 butterflies supported
<u>Redbud, Western</u>	Mod	10-20	Red flowers, pref hot summers and cold winters
California Laurel	low	6-60	Well-behaved roots, major shade, leaf litter and fruit
			are manageable, slow grower
Native Cherry	Very low	40	Evergreen, 117 species of butterflies, ficus like shade,
<u>Prunus ilicifolia</u>			well behaved roots,
California Ash	Very low	23	Roots well-behaved, fragrant flowers, mod fast grower
<u>Velvet Ash</u>	Mod	30-40	32 species of butterflies supported
Fraxinus velutina x			
latifolia			
<u>Chitalpa</u>	low	25	Hybrid, flowers, deep taproot so OK near hardscape
California Wax Myrtle	mod	33	Needs part shade inland
<u>Ironwood</u>	Low		33-50, several species
<u>Mesquites</u>	Low	20-30	Deep taproot, imp wildlife species, there are thornless
			varieties
<u>Summer Holly</u>	Very low	10-20	Needs part shade
<u>Desert Olive</u>	Low	8	Companion to narrow-leafed milkweed
<u>Jojoba</u>	Ext low	7	One of the best natives for privacy screen
<u>Cal Box Elder</u>	Mod	35-66	Beautiful structure, fast grower, manageable leaf litter,
			pref slow drainage, supports 87 species
<u>Oaks</u>	low	varies	Best plant for species, leave leaves in place
			underneath, Small to large species, not for near
			hardscape, roads, unless one side is a natural area
<u>Sycamores</u>			Great for open space, fast growing, beautiful, leaf litter
			can be significant so natural areas better
<u>California Laurel</u>	low	6-60	Well-behaved roots, major shade, leaf litter and fruit
			are manageable, slow grower
Big Leaf Maple	Mod high	30-100	Heat/drought tolerant once established, fast growing,

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