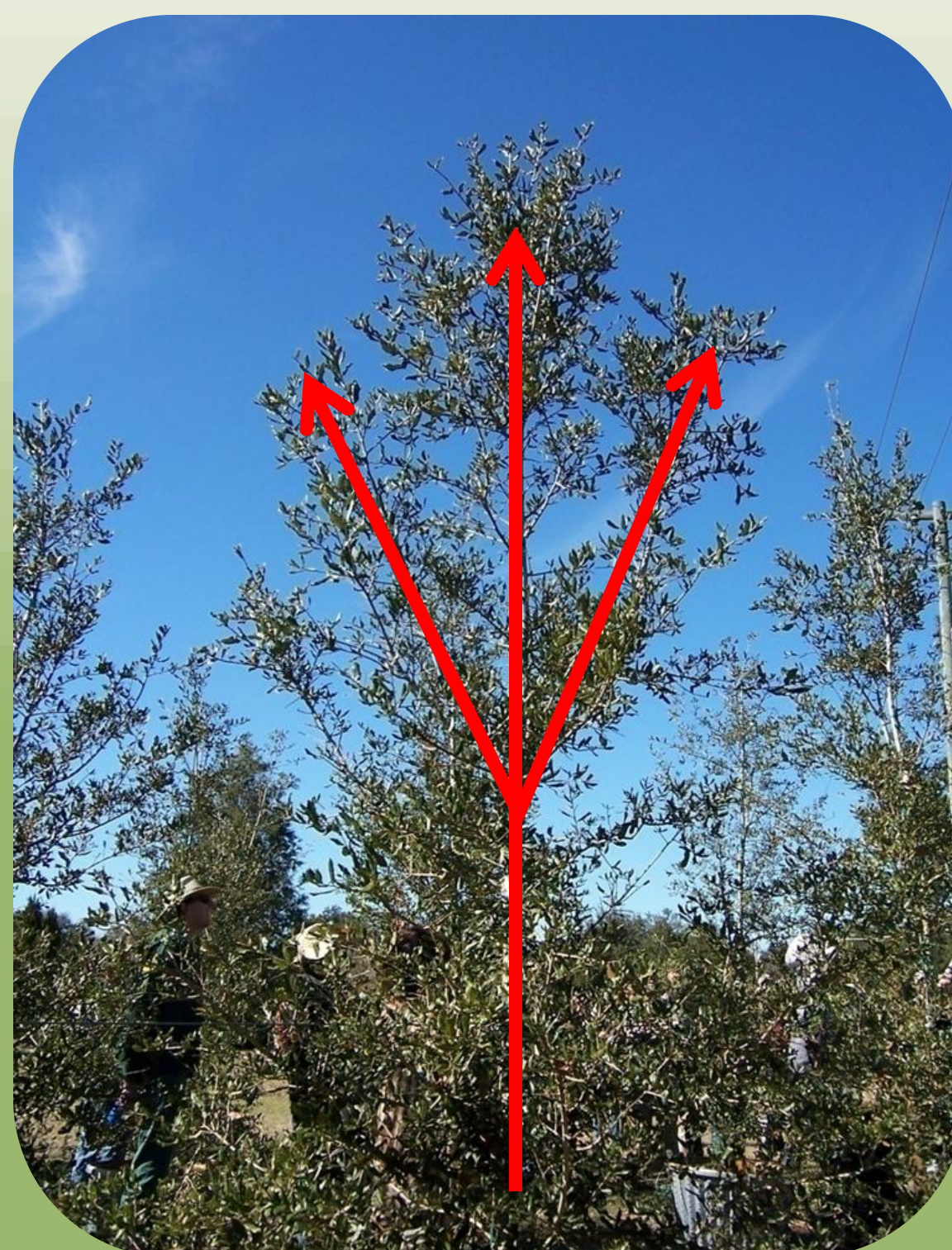


Strengthening our Community Tree Canopy Through Education - Module #3 Pruning Young Trees in the Urban Landscape

Pruning Objectives

- Remove dead & diseased branches
- Maintain proper structure & tree health
- Improve & maintain tree appearance
- Provide clearance beneath tree
- Reduce weight of stressed limbs
- Increase safety of landscape environment



Branch Bark
Collar

Angle of Pruning Cuts

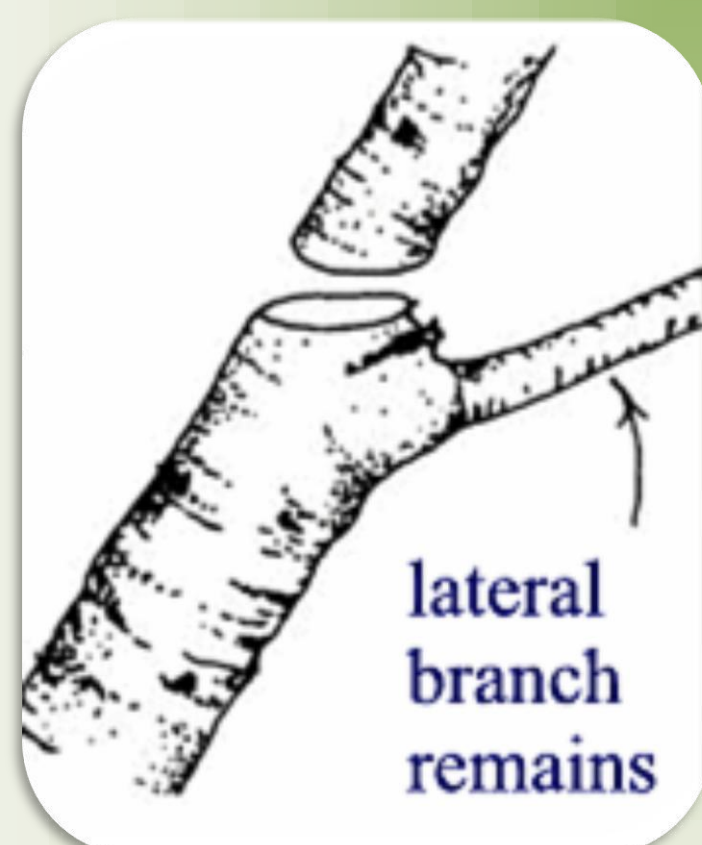
- Make cut at a slight slant $\frac{1}{4}$ " above healthy bud
- Proper cuts should be made above a bud growing in the direction desired

Proper Pruning Cuts

- Remain just outside a tree's branch bark collar
- Should not leave a stub
- Should not be flush with the trunk or a adjacent branch



Reduction Cut



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