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Jack London's ill oak tree gets native blessing



Plans to fell a majestic oak tree that stands outside Jack London's cottage in Glen Ellen are on hold pending the outcome of more tests.

Officials were planning to cut the tree down next month amid concerns that one of its branches could fall and damage London's cottage, or possibly injure someone.

Three arborists had determined that the tree, which has been rooted in the same spot for more than 300 years, is infected with a pathogenic fungi and is dying.

Jack London State Park Oak Tree

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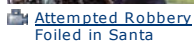
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