



March 22, 2018

Re: Boston Conservation Commission follow up items for Olmsted Park Pathway Restoration and Invasive Management Plan

1. "Proof of Mailing to NHESP"
 - a. Please see attached certified mail receipt

2. "Your narrative indicates that there will be 3,200 square feet of bank stabilization. Is this taking place within the bank or the bufferzone to bank? If bank, you will need to update your WPA form with the appropriate number of square feet being altered. (8 hard copies and an emailed copy)"
 - a. Work will take place within the bufferzone. No work whatsoever will take place within the bank.

3. "Narrative on each of the performance standards for the resource areas being altered as part of your project, and how your project is meeting said standards."
 - a. Invasive Management – Bordering Vegetated Wetlands

Overview: Bordering vegetated wetlands (BVW) will remain the same as far as size and function. Only invasive plant material will be removed with as minimal disturbance as possible and replaced with native plant material. This area will be limited to 4,745 square feet. Native plantings will bring more ecological value to the Olmsted Park woodlands compared to invasive materials.

 - i. Surface area of the Bordering Vegetated Wetlands (BVW) will remain the same.
 - ii. Ground water and surface elevation will remain the same.
 - iii. Overall horizontal configuration and BVW bank area will remain the same
 - iv. Replacement plantings will take place within existing BVW.
 - v. At least 75% of the surface of the replacement areas will be reestablished with indigenous wetland plant species within two growing seasons. Any exposed soil in the replacement area shall be temporarily stabilized with use of erosion control methods in accordance with standard U.S. Soil Conservation Service methods.

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- b. Invasive Management – Riverfront
Overview: Riverfront Area will remain the same as far as size and function. Only invasive plant material will be removed with as minimal disturbance as possible and replaced with native plant material. This area will be limited to 490 square feet. Native plantings will bring more ecological value to the Olmsted Park woodlands compared to invasive materials.
 - i. All native and non-invasive plant material will remain and will be undisturbed to the greatest extents possible.
 - ii. Ground water and surface elevation will remain the same.
 - iii. Slope configuration and Top of Bank within the Riverfront will remain the same and will not be modified.
 - iv. All hydrology will remain the same.
 - v. Any exposed soil in the replacement area shall be temporarily stabilized with use of erosion control methods in accordance with standard U.S. Soil Conservation Service methods.

- 4. “New set of site plans. The proposed work plan and planting plan are great material, but we will need smaller scale plans consisting of topo lines and detailing the resource areas, delineations of those areas, elevations of the top and bottom of the bank and your proximity of the work to those resource areas.”
 - a. See attached revised plans

- 5. “Section 2.1 of your narrative states that the delineations are consistent with the Muddy River Project as approved by the Commission. Which phase are you referencing?”
 - a. Phase 1 Muddy River Flood Control, Water Quality and Habitat Enhancement, and Historic Preservation Project

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