

February 6, 2018

Boston Conservation Commission City of Boston Environment Department Boston City Hall Room 805 Boston, MA 02201

Re: Notice of Intent

Olmsted Park Landscape Improvements

Parcel 1001585000 Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Commission Members

On behalf of our client, Boston Parks and Recreation Department (BPRD), Pressley Associates is pleased to submit this Notice of Intent (NOI) for the above referenced project. The Boston Parks and Recreation Department (BPRD) proposes to rehabilitate this historic and ecologically significant landscape as a pilot project for future rehabilitation of woodlands within the Emerald Necklace Parks. The project site is a portion of the southern end of Olmsted Park around Wards Pond and on Nickerson Hill within the City of Boston ownership of the park.

This work is necessary because the existing trails and granite stairways are deteriorated, existing trees require care, and upland invasive species are in need of removal and management. A portion of the pathway, approximately 420′ linear feet, is being regraded and widened to comply with accessibility standards for trails and to accommodate access for safety vehicles. Various rehabilitation techniques will be used, depending on the exiting conditions. Major renovation will only occur where necessary; less intensive methods will be used whenever feasible, as described in the attached NOI. Work will occur within the 25-Foot Riverfront Areas of the Babbling Brook and within the buffer zone for both Babbling Brook and Wards Pond. No work will occur within the BVW and the BVW will be protected. Landscape improvements in the upland areas of the buffer areas include, pruning trees, control of invasive plants, and planting of native trees, shrubs, and groundcover herbaceous layer.

We understand that the next public hearing is scheduled for February 21, 2018. Please call me at (617) 969-1934 ext. 201, if you want to schedule a site visit or if you have any questions regarding this NOI. We look forward to working with you on this project.

Sincerely,

Marion Pressley FASLA RLA Landscape Architect Pressley Associates Inc

Cc: MassDEP

Margaret Dyson, BPRD

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A. General Information

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e. City/Town

617-635-4505

Note: Before completing this form consult your local Conservation Commission regarding any municipal bylaw or ordinance.

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Project Location (Note: electronic filers will o	click on button to locate projec	t site):
Olmsted Park, 156 Jamaicaway	Boston	02130
a. Street Address	b. City/Town	c. Zip Code
Latituda and Langituda.	42,3259N	71.1149W
Latitude and Longitude:	d. Latitude	e. Longitude
	1001585000	
f. Assessors Map/Plat Number	g. Parcel /Lot Number	
Applicant:		
Christopher	Cook	
a. First Name	b. Last Name	
Boston Parks and Recreation Department		
c. Organization		
1010 Massachusetts Avenue		
d. Street Address		
Boston	MA	02118

f. State

christoper.cook@boston.gov

N/A

c. City/Town Fee Paid

h. Phone Number	i. Fax Number	j. Email Address	
Property owner (re-	quired if different from applic	ant):	more than one owner
(same as above)		b. Last Name	
c. Organization			
d. Street Address			
e. City/Town		f. State	g. Zip Code
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h. Phone Number	i. Fax Number	j. Email address	
Representative (if a	any):		
Marion		Pressley	
a. First Name		b. Last Name	
Pressley Associates	s, Inc.		
c. Company			
219 Parker Street			
d. Street Address			
Newton Centre		MA	02459
e. City/Town		f. State	g. Zip Code
617-969-1934	617-969-1066	mpressley@pressleyinc.com	
h. Phone Number	i. Fax Number	j. Email address	

5. Total WPA Fee Paid (from NOI Wetland Fee Transmittal Form):

N/A

b. State Fee Paid

N/A

a. Total Fee Paid



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A.	General Information (continued)	***************************************
6.	General Project Description:	
	Olmsted Park Landscape Site Improvements. Reha granite stairways and implemention various landsca Wards Pond	
7a.	Project Type Checklist: (Limited Project Types see	Section A. 7b.)
	1. Single Family Home	2. Residential Subdivision
	3. Commercial/Industrial	4. Dock/Pier
	5. Utilities	6. Coastal engineering Structure
	7. Agriculture (e.g., cranberries, forestry)	8. Transportation
	9. 🛛 Other	
7b.		
	2. Limited Project Type	
	If the proposed activity is eligible to be treated as an CMR10.24(8), 310 CMR 10.53(4)), complete and at Project Checklist and Signed Certification.	
8.	Property recorded at the Registry of Deeds for:	
	Suffolk	
	a. County	b. Certificate # (if registered land)
	c. Book	d. Page Number
В.	Buffer Zone & Resource Area Impa	acts (temporary & permanent)
1. 2.	 □ Buffer Zone Only – Check if the project is locate Vegetated Wetland, Inland Bank, or Coastal Re □ Inland Resource Areas (see 310 CMR 10.54-10 Coastal Resource Areas). 	source Area.
	Check all that apply below. Attach narrative and any project will meet all performance standards for each	

standards requiring consideration of alternative project design or location.

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For all projects affecting other Resource Areas, please attach a narrative explaining how the resource area was delineated.

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B. Buffer Zone & Resource Area Impacts (temporary & permanent) (cont'd)

Resource Area	Size of Proposed Alteration	Proposed Replacement (if any)		
a. Bank	1. linear feet	2, linear feet		
ь.	1. square feet	2. square feet		
c. Land Under Waterbodies and	1. square feet	2. square feet		
Waterways	3. cubic yards dredged			
Resource Area	Size of Proposed Alteration	Proposed Replacement (if any)		
d. D Bordering Land	N/A see FIRM map			
Subject to Flooding	1. square feet	2. square feet		
	3. cubic feet of flood storage lost	4. cubic feet replaced		
e. Isolated Land Subject to Flooding	1. square feet			
	2. cubic feet of flood storage lost	3. cubic feet replaced		
f. 🛛 Riverfront Area	Babbling Brook - inland			
f. Alvertion Alea	1. Name of Waterway (if available) - spec	cify coastal or inland		
2. Width of Riverfront Area (check one):			
	ensely Developed Areas only			
100 ft New agricultu	100 ft New agricultural projects only			
200 ft All other proje	ects			
3. Total area of Riverfront Are	a on the site of the proposed projec	ot: $\frac{10,422 \text{ sf}}{\text{square feet}}$		
4. Proposed alteration of the F	Riverfront Area:			
10,422 sf	10,422 sf (0-25')			
a. total square feet	b. square feet within 100 ft.	c. square feet between 100 ft. and 200 ft.		
5. Has an alternatives analysis	s been done and is it attached to th	is NOI? ☐ Yes ☑ No		
6. Was the lot where the activ	ity is proposed created prior to Aug	ust 1, 1996? ⊠ Yes □ No		
3. Coastal Resource Areas: (See	310 CMR 10.25-10.35)			
Note: for coastal riverfront areas,	please complete Section B.2.f. ab	ove.		

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B. Buffer Zone & Resource Area Impacts (temporary & permanent) (cont'd)

Check all that apply below. Attach narrative and supporting documentation describing how the project will meet all performance standards for each of the resource areas altered, including standards requiring consideration of alternative project design or location.

Online Users: Include your document transaction number (provided on your receipt page) with all supplementary information you submit to the Department.

4.

5.

Resou	rce Area	Size of Proposed Alteration	<u>Proposed Replacement (if any)</u>
а. 🗌	Designated Port Areas	Indicate size under Land	Under the Ocean, below
b. 🗌	Land Under the Ocean	1. square feet	
		2. cubic yards dredged	
с. 🗌	Barrier Beach	Indicate size under Coasta	l Beaches and/or Coastal Dunes below
d. 🔲	Coastal Beaches	1. square feet	2. cubic yards beach nourishment
e. 🗌	Coastal Dunes	1. square feet	2. cubic yards dune nourishment
		Size of Proposed Alteration	Proposed Replacement (if any)
f. 🗌	Coastal Banks	1. linear feet	
g. 📙	Rocky Intertidal Shores	1. square feet	
h. 🔲	Salt Marshes	1. square feet	2. sq ft restoration, rehab., creation
i. 🗌	Land Under Salt Ponds	1. square feet	
		2. cubic yards dredged	
j. 🗀	Land Containing Shellfish	1. square feet	
k. 🗌	Fish Runs		I Banks, inland Bank, Land Under the Under Waterbodies and Waterways,
		1. cubic yards dredged	
I	Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage	1. square feet	
If the p	footage that has been ent		land resource area in addition to the n above, please enter the additional
a. square	e feet of BVW	b. square fe	eet of Salt Marsh
☐ Pro	oject Involves Stream Cros	sings	
a. numbe	er of new stream crossings	b. number o	of replacement stream crossings



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	comple		or an Ecological Restor : A: Ecological Restorati		t. Skip Section C and Checklists – Required Actions
Str	eamlin	ed Massach	usetts Endangered S _l	pecies Act/Wetland	Is Protection Act Review
1.	the mo	st recent Estin I Heritage and chusetts Natur	oroposed project located in nated Habitat Map of State Endangered Species Pro ral Heritage Atlas or go to state.ma.us/PRI EST HA	e-Listed Rare Wetland gram (NHESP)? To vi	of Rare Wildlife as indicated on I Wildlife published by the ew habitat maps, see the
	a. Y	′es ⊠ No	If yes, include proof	of mailing or hand de	elivery of NOI to:
	14th ed	dition 2017 of map	Natural Heritage an Division of Fisherie 1 Rabbit Hill Road Westborough, MA		s Program
	CMR 1 comple comple by com	0.18). To qual ete Section C.2 ete Section C.2 apleting Sectio	ify for a streamlined, 30-d l.c, and include requested 2.f, if applicable. <i>If MESA</i> s	ay, MESA/Wetlands P materials with this No supplemental informat SP will require a separ	ion is not included with the NOI, ate MESA filing which may take
	c. Subr	mit Supplemer	ntal Information for Endang	gered Species Review	,*
	1.	☐ Percenta	ge/acreage of property to	be altered:	
		(a) within wet	land Resource Area	percentage/acreage	
		(b) outside Re	esource Area	percentage/acreage	
	2.	Assesso	r's Map or right-of-way pla	n of site	
2.			entire project site, includir showing existing and pro		reas and areas outside of sting and proposed

Project description (including description of impacts outside of wetland resource area &

tree/vegetation clearing line, and clearly demarcated limits of work **

Photographs representative of the site

** MESA projects may not be segmented (321 CMR 10.16). The applicant must disclose full development plans even if such plans are not required as part of the Notice of Intent process.

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(a) 🛛

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buffer zone)

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^{*} Some projects not in Estimated Habitat may be located in Priority Habitat, and require NHESP review (see http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dfg/dfw/natural-heritage/regulatory-review/). Priority Habitat includes habitat for state-listed plants and strictly upland species not protected by the Wetlands Protection Act.



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C. Other Applicable Standards and Requirements (cont'd)

	(c) MESA filing fee (fee information available at http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/dfw/nhesp/regulatory review/mesa/mesa fee schedule.htm). Make check payable to "Commonwealth of Massachusetts - NHESP" and <i>mail to NHESP</i> at above address			
	Projects	s altering 10 or more acres of land, also sub	mit:	
	(d)	Vegetation cover type map of site		
	(e)	Project plans showing Priority & Estima	ated Habitat boundaries	
	(f) OF	R Check One of the Following		
	1.	Project is exempt from MESA review. Attach applicant letter indicating which http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/dfw/nhesp. the NOI must still be sent to NHESP if the 310 CMR 10.37 and 10.59.)	/regulatory review/mesa/	mesa exemptions.htm;
	2. 🔲	Separate MESA review ongoing.	a. NHESP Tracking #	b. Date submitted to NHESP
	3.	Separate MESA review completed. Include copy of NHESP "no Take" deter Permit with approved plan.	rmination or valid Conser	vation & Management
For line	For coastal projects only, is any portion of the proposed project located below the mean high water line or in a fish run?			
а. 🏻	☑ Not a	pplicable – project is in inland resource a	area only b. 🗌 Yes	□ No
If y	If yes, include proof of mailing, hand delivery, or electronic delivery of NOI to either:			either:
	South Shore - Cohasset to Rhode Island border, and North Shore - Hull to New Hampshire border: the Cape & Islands:			
Sou Attr 121 Nev	Division of Marine Fisheries - Southeast Marine Fisheries Station Attn: Environmental Reviewer Attn: Environmental Reviewer Attn: Environmental Reviewer Attn: Environmental Reviewer 30 Emerson Avenue Gloucester, MA 01930 Email: DMF.EnvReview-North@state.ma.us Email: DMF.EnvReview-North@state.ma.us			

Also if yes, the project may require a Chapter 91 license. For coastal towns in the Northeast Region, please contact MassDEP's Boston Office. For coastal towns in the Southeast Region, please contact MassDEP's Southeast Regional Office.

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C. Other Applicable Standards and Requirements (cont'd)

	4.	Is any portion of the proposed project within an Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC)?
Online Users: Include your document		a. Yes No If yes, provide name of ACEC (see instructions to WPA Form 3 or MassDEP Website for ACEC locations). Note: electronic filers click on Website.
transaction		b. ACEC
number (provided on your receipt page) with all	5.	Is any portion of the proposed project within an area designated as an Outstanding Resource Water (ORW) as designated in the Massachusetts Surface Water Quality Standards, 314 CMR 4.00?
supplementary		a. 🗌 Yes 🔯 No
information you submit to the Department.	6.	Is any portion of the site subject to a Wetlands Restriction Order under the Inland Wetlands Restriction Act (M.G.L. c. 131, § 40A) or the Coastal Wetlands Restriction Act (M.G.L. c. 130, § 105)?
		a. 🗌 Yes 🔯 No
	7.	Is this project subject to provisions of the MassDEP Stormwater Management Standards?
		a. Yes. Attach a copy of the Stormwater Report as required by the Stormwater Management Standards per 310 CMR 10.05(6)(k)-(q) and check if:
		 Applying for Low Impact Development (LID) site design credits (as described in Stormwater Management Handbook Vol. 2, Chapter 3)
		2. A portion of the site constitutes redevelopment
		3. Proprietary BMPs are included in the Stormwater Management System.
		b. No. Check why the project is exempt:
		1. Single-family house
		2. Emergency road repair
		3. Small Residential Subdivision (less than or equal to 4 single-family houses or less than or equal to 4 units in multi-family housing project) with no discharge to Critical Areas.
	D.	Additional Information
		This is a proposal for an Ecological Restoration Limited Project. Skip Section D and complete Appendix A: Ecological Restoration Notice of Intent – Minimum Required Documents (310 CMR 10.12).
		Applicants must include the following with this Notice of Intent (NOI). See instructions for details.
		Online Users: Attach the document transaction number (provided on your receipt page) for any of the following information you submit to the Department.
		1. USGS or other map of the area (along with a narrative description, if necessary) containing sufficient information for the Conservation Commission and the Department to locate the site. (Electronic filers may omit this item.)
		Plans identifying the location of proposed activities (including activities proposed to serve as a Bordering Vegetated Wetland [BVW] replication area or other mitigating measure) relative

to the boundaries of each affected resource area.



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D. Additional Information (cont'd)

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	3. 🔀	Identify the method for BVW and other res Field Data Form(s), Determination of Appl and attach documentation of the meth	source area boundary delineations (MassDEP BVW icability, Order of Resource Area Delineation, etc.), odology.
	4. 🛛	List the titles and dates for all plans and o	ther materials submitted with this NOI.
		ease see Table of Contents for Olmsted Par	k Landscape Site Improvements
		Plan Title	
		essley Associates	Marion Pressley
		Prepared By	c. Signed and Stamped by
		-08-2017	1"=40'
	d. F	inal Revision Date	e. Scale
	see	e attachments	
	f. A	dditional Plan or Document Title	g. Date
	5. 🔲	If there is more than one property owner, plisted on this form.	please attach a list of these property owners not
	6. 🗌	Attach proof of mailing for Natural Heritage	e and Endangered Species Program, if needed.
	7. 🗌	Attach proof of mailing for Massachusetts	Division of Marine Fisheries, if needed.
	8. 🗌	Attach NOI Wetland Fee Transmittal Form	
	9. 🔲	Attach Stormwater Report, if needed.	
E.	Fees		
	1. 🛚	Fee Exempt: No filing fee shall be assessed of the Commonwealth, federally recognize authority, or the Massachusetts Bay Trans	ed for projects of any city, town, county, or district d Indian tribe housing authority, municipal housing portation Authority.
	Applicants must submit the following information (in Fee Transmittal Form) to confirm fee payment:		n addition to pages 1 and 2 of the NOI Wetland
	2. Munici	pal Check Number	3. Check date
	4. State 0	Check Number	5. Check date
	6. Payor	name on check: First Name	7. Payor name on check; Last Name



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F. Signatures and Submittal Requirements

I hereby certify under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing Notice of Intent and accompanying plans, documents, and supporting data are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the Conservation Commission will place notification of this Notice in a local newspaper at the expense of the applicant in accordance with the wetlands regulations, 310 CMR 10.05(5)(a).

I further certify under penalties of perjury that all abutters were notified of this application, pursuant to the requirements of M.G.L. c. 131, § 40. Notice must be made by Certificate of Mailing or in writing by hand delivery or certified mail (return receipt requested) to all abutters within 100 feet of the property line of the project location.

En VI	January 31, 2018
Signature of Applicant	2. Date
	January 31, 2018
Signature of Property Owner (if different)	4. Date
/// and my	January 31, 2018
5. Signature of Representative (if any)	6. Date

For Conservation Commission:

Two copies of the completed Notice of Intent (Form 3), including supporting plans and documents, two copies of the NOI Wetland Fee Transmittal Form, and the city/town fee payment, to the Conservation Commission by certified mail or hand delivery.

For MassDEP:

One copy of the completed Notice of Intent (Form 3), including supporting plans and documents, one copy of the NOI Wetland Fee Transmittal Form, and a **copy** of the state fee payment to the MassDEP Regional Office (see Instructions) by certified mail or hand delivery.

Other

If the applicant has checked the "yes" box in any part of Section C, Item 3, above, refer to that section and the Instructions for additional submittal requirements.

The original and copies must be sent simultaneously. Failure by the applicant to send copies in a timely manner may result in dismissal of the Notice of Intent.



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A. Applicant Information Location of Project: a. Street Address b. City/Town c. Check number d. Fee amount 2. Applicant Mailing Address: a. First Name b. Last Name c. Organization d. Mailing Address e. City/Town f. State g. Zip Code h. Phone Number i. Fax Number j. Email Address Property Owner (if different): a. First Name b. Last Name c. Organization d. Mailing Address e. City/Town f. State g. Zip Code h. Phone Number i. Fax Number i. Email Address

To calculate filing fees, refer to the category fee list and examples in the instructions for filling out WPA Form 3 (Notice of Intent).

B. Fees

Fee should be calculated using the following process & worksheet. *Please see Instructions before filling out worksheet.*

Step 1/Type of Activity: Describe each type of activity that will occur in wetland resource area and buffer zone.

Step 2/Number of Activities: Identify the number of each type of activity.

Step 3/Individual Activity Fee: Identify each activity fee from the six project categories listed in the instructions.

Step 4/Subtotal Activity Fee: Multiply the number of activities (identified in Step 2) times the fee per category (identified in Step 3) to reach a subtotal fee amount. Note: If any of these activities are in a Riverfront Area in addition to another Resource Area or the Buffer Zone, the fee per activity should be multiplied by 1.5 and then added to the subtotal amount.

Step 5/Total Project Fee: Determine the total project fee by adding the subtotal amounts from Step 4.

Step 6/Fee Payments: To calculate the state share of the fee, divide the total fee in half and subtract \$12.50. To calculate the city/town share of the fee, divide the total fee in half and add \$12.50.



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В.	Fees (continued)		
	Step 1/Type of Activity	Step 2/Number Step of Activities 3/Individual Activity Fee	Step 4/Subtotal Activity Fee
		· ·	
		Step 5/Total Project Fee:	
		Step 6/Fee Payments:	
		Total Project Fee:	a. Total Fee from Step 5
		State share of filing Fee:	b. 1/2 Total Fee less \$12.50
		City/Town share of filling Fee:	c. 1/2 Total Fee plus \$12.50

C. Submittal Requirements

a.) Complete pages 1 and 2 and send with a check or money order for the state share of the fee, payable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Department of Environmental Protection Box 4062 Boston, MA 02211

b.) To the Conservation Commission: Send the Notice of Intent or Abbreviated Notice of Intent; a copy of this form; and the city/town fee payment.

To MassDEP Regional Office (see Instructions): Send a copy of the Notice of Intent or Abbreviated Notice of Intent; a **copy** of this form; and a **copy** of the state fee payment. (E-filers of Notices of Intent may submit these electronically.)

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Work will occur within the buffer zone of Wards Pond and Babbling Brook as well as in 10,422 square feet of riverfront area.



Fig. 1: MassGIS Orthophoto Olmsted Park Boston, MA approximate scale 1"=200" City of Boston property line

2.0 Existing Conditions

Pathways and historic staircases are in deteriorated condition. Many significant trees require pruning. Invasive species are present in many areas of the site.

Existing Trails: The existing trails as originally developed in the 1890s were not paved and are still

compacted gravel without an edge treatment. The trail width varies, but historically was designed by Olmsted in the 1890s as 8' wide pathways.

Existing Granite Stairways: The existing stairways are the original Olmsted designed stairs from the 1890s. There are three sets of stairways - one at The Jamaicaway and Perkins St intersection and two stairways at Nickerson Hill. None of the stairs have cheek walls and all three sets have erosion issues on one or both sides of the stairs. Not all existing treads are in good condition and settlement has occurred as well. Only two of these stairways are partially within the 100-Foot BVW Buffer Zone.

Perkins Street Slope: The existing slope is in the upland area and has erosion issues and most of the existing vegetation is invasive plant material. The tree canopy in this area is light and this once woodland area is lacking minor trees, shrubs, and groundcover layers. The bank needs stabilization including planting to prevent future erosion and sedimentation of Wards Pond. Part of this slope is within the 100-Foot BVW Buffer Zone.

Tree Assessment for High Priority Pruning: Tree Specialists Inc did a tree assessment of the existing trees in order to determine which individuals would require high priority pruning or tree removal. No tree removal occurs in the resource area. The assessment looked at safety and risk reduction, as well as, preservation and stabilization of the tree canopy and regeneration of tree species. Limited work is required is within the 100-Foot BVW Buffer Zone and within the 25-Foot Riverfront Buffer Zone.

Invasive Plant Assessment for Invasive Plant Management: Tree Specialists Inc. did an invasive plant assessment of woody invasives in the upland areas, identifying species and documenting in plan form high, medium and low priority species removal areas. Existing invasive plants will only be removed within these defined areas some of which are within the 100-Foot BVW Buffer Zone and within the 25-Foot Riverfront Buffer Zone.

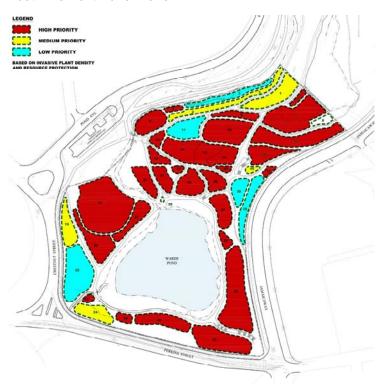


Fig. 2: <u>Invasive Plant Assessment – Tree Specialists Inc.</u>

2.1 Wetland Resources: A full delineation for this site was reviewed and approved by the Boston Conservation Commission as part of the *Phase I Muddy River Flood Control, Water Quality, and Habitat Enhancement, and Historic Preservation Project completed in December, 2001, prepared by CDM.* The wetland boundaries used here are consistent with that delineation. The delineation was confirmed in 2017.

Bordering Vegetated Wetland

Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW) is defined as:

"Freshwater wetlands which border on creeks, rivers, streams, ponds, and lakes. The types of freshwater wetlands are wet meadows, marshes, swamps, and bogs. Bordering Vegetated Wetlands are areas where the soils are saturated and/or inundated such that they support a predominance of wetland indicator plants. The ground and surface water regime and the vegetational community, which occur in each type of freshwater wetland are specified in M.GLc, 131, & 40" {310CMR 10:55(2) (a)}

Inland Bank

Inland Bank is defined as:

"the portion of the land surface which normally abuts and confines a water body. It occurs between a water body and a vegetated bordering wetland and adjacent flood plain, or in the absence of these, it occurs between a water body and an upland." {310CMR 10:55}

The boundary of Inland Bank is defined as:

"the first observable break in the slope or the mean annual flood level, whichever is lower."

Land Under Water

Land Under Water is (LUW) defined as:

"..The boundary of Land Under Water Bodies and waterways is the mean annual low water level. "3210 CMR 10.56W.

Riverfront Area

Riverfront Area (RFA) is defined as:

"the area of land between a river's mean annual high water line and a parallel line measured horizontally...outward from the river and a parallel line located 200 feet away...In tidal "-"/.IX) rivers, the mean annual high-water line is coincident with the mean high water line A.... determined under 310 CMR 10.23.{310 CMR 10.58 (2) }

The City of Boston has a 25-ft Riverfront Area measured from the mean annual high water line.

Bordering Land Subject to Flooding

Bordering Land Subject to Flooding (BLSF is defined as:

"an area with low, flat topography adjacent to the inundated by flood waters rising from creeks, rivers, streams, ponds, or lakes. It extends from the banks of these waterways and water bodies" "310 CMR 10.57.

3.0 Work Proposed Within Resource Areas and the 100-Foot Buffer Zone

No work is proposed in Border Vegetated Wetlands, Inland Bank, or Land Under Water.

3.1 Work Proposed in 25-Foot Riverfront Area

The Riverfront Area impacted by this project consists of previously disturbed parkland, which includes gravel pedestrian pathways and woodlands. Work proposed in woodland uplands will include high priority pruning and removal of invasive upland plants. The adjacent pathways will be rehabilitated. Pre and post existing grades associated with this project will have no change. Erosion control measures shall be employed to prevent adverse impacts.

3.2 Work Proposed in Bordering Land Subject to Flooding

The BLSF impacted by this project consists of previously disturbed parkland, which includes gravel pedestrian pathways and woodlands. Work in BLSF will include high priority pruning and removal of invasive upland plants. Pre and post existing grades associated with this project will have no change, so no loss of flood storage will occur as a result of this project. Erosion control measures shall be employed to prevent adverse impacts. Because site grades will not change within the Bordering Land Subject to Flooding, no loss of flood storage will occur as a result of this project.

3.3 Work Proposed within 100-Foot BVW Buffer Zone to Inland Bank

The 100-Foot BVW Buffer zone consists of previously disturbed parkland which includes gravel pedestrian pathways, woodlands, granite stairways, and boardwalk. Work proposed in woodland uplands will include high priority pruning and removal of invasive upland plants. The pathways will be rehabilitated, but pre and post grades associated with this project will have no change. This work is designed to improve conditions in the park by better stabilizing the Buffer Zone and reducing sedimentation. Erosion control measures shall be employed to prevent adverse impacts during construction.

BPRD proposes rehabilitation of approximately 2300' linear feet of gravel trails located within the 100-Foot BVW Buffer. The trail will be 8' feet wide and the 18" inches bordering both sides of the trails shall be mulched with 3" inches of pine bark mulch. Because the condition of the existing gravel trails varies along their length the following techniques will be used as appropriate. Erosion control measures shall be employed during construction to prevent adverse impacts.

- Trail Renovation: (Approximately 420' linear feet). The top 2–4" inches of material will be removed. Gravel will be added and compacted where needed.
- *Trail Topdressing:* (Approximately 1540' linear feet) Gravel will be placed on the pathway, then compacted in depression or washouts and/or placed to cover existing roots exposed by erosion to restore trails to previous elevations with a smooth grade.
- Full Depth Reconstruction of Trail: (Approximately 340' linear feet) existing trail materials will be removed and the pathway will be regraded to meet trail standards for accessibility established by the Massachusetts DCR Universal Access Program's Summary of Guidelines for Accessible Trails (Based on US Forest Service Trail Accessibility Guidelines May 2006). Gravel will be placed and compacted to restore trail to a smooth grade to comply with universal trail accessibility standards.

Granite stairways: Portions of two granite stairways are within the 100-Foot Buffer. All existing units will be removed, those in good condition to be reused will be stockpiled on site and damaged units shall be removed offsite. New units will be provided as required and will match existing stone stair units. The detail for resetting will utilize the original design by Olmsted, which did not have cheek walls and with treads set on a compacted dense graded crushed stone sub-base. The side slopes will be regraded, stabilized, and planted with native shrubs and groundcovers from the Olmsted Planting Lists from the planting in the 1890s. Any adjacent desire lines will be eliminated, regraded, stabilized, and planted. Erosion control measures shall be employed during construction to prevent adverse impacts.

Slope Stabilization: Stabilization of woodland slopes within the 100-Foot Buffer shall include contour log placements and the use of compost tubes to stabilize the slope prior to planting of native trees, shrubs and groundcover from the Olmsted Planting Lists from the planting in the 1890s. The major areas to receive this treatment are the Perkins Street woodland slope, slopes at reset stairways, and desire line pathways on Nickerson Hill, which are going to be closed and stabilized to control erosion off the hill. Erosion control measures shall be employed during construction to prevent adverse impacts.

GENERAL NOTES

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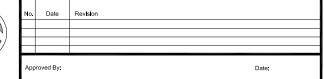
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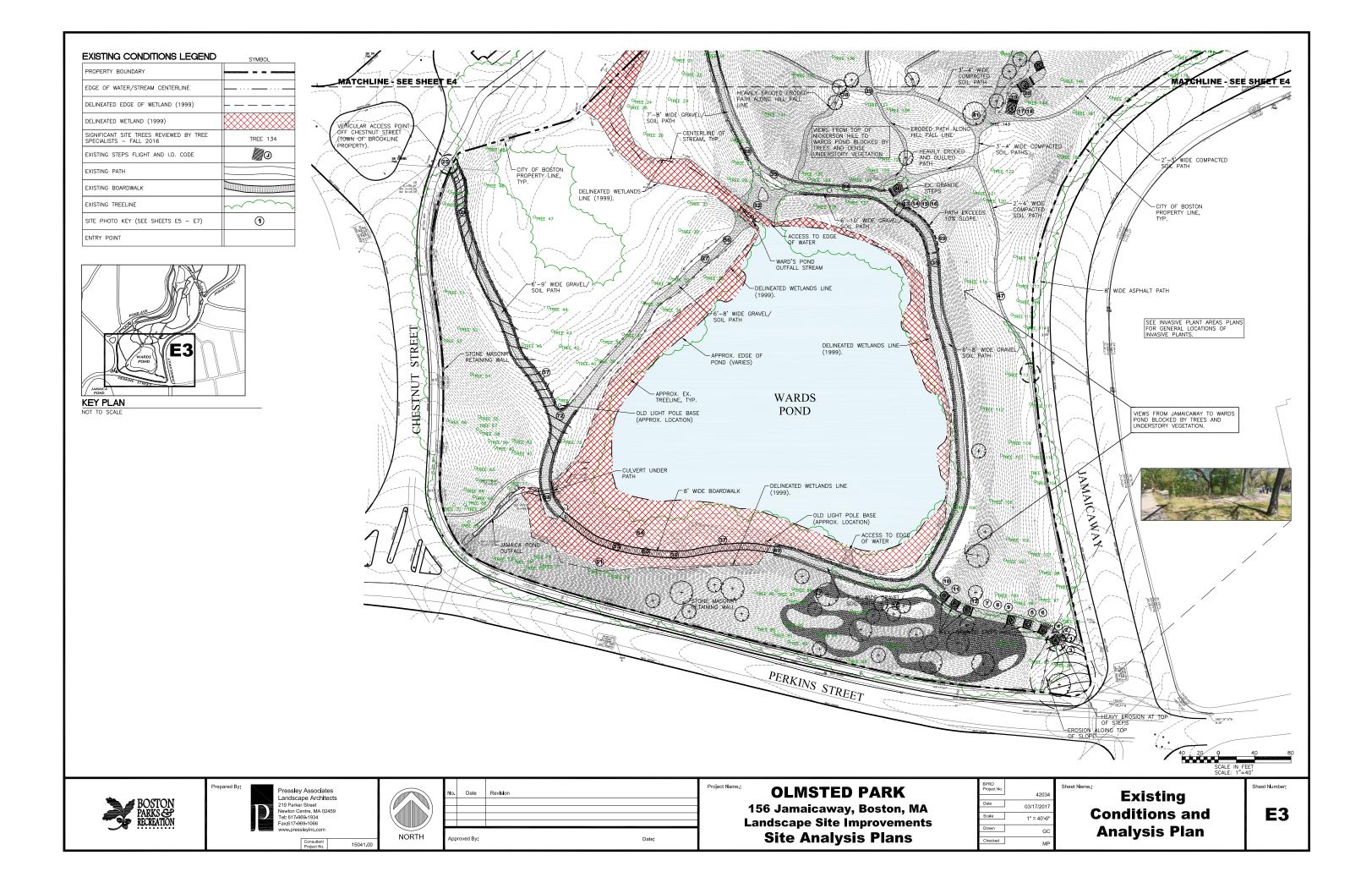
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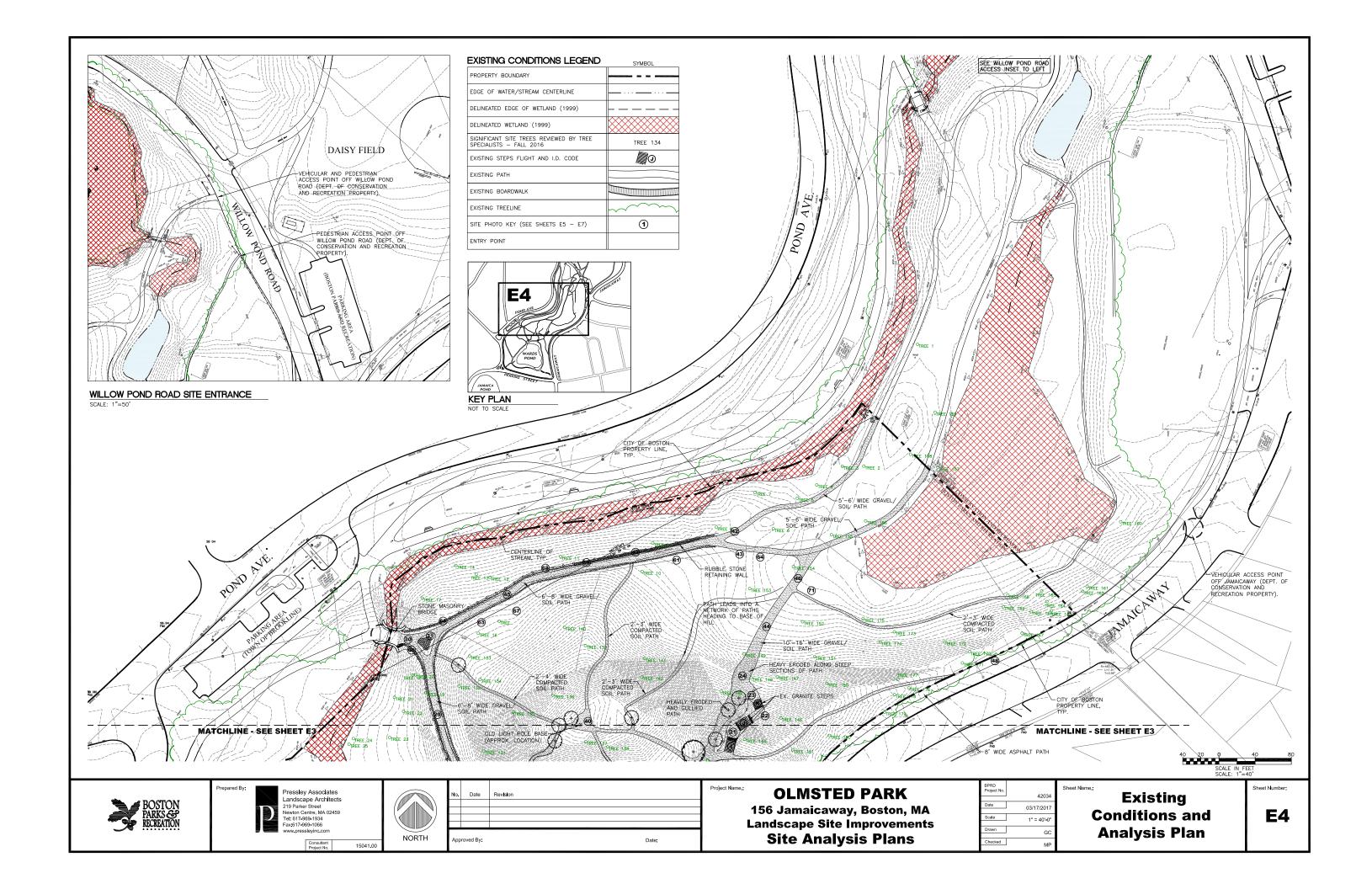
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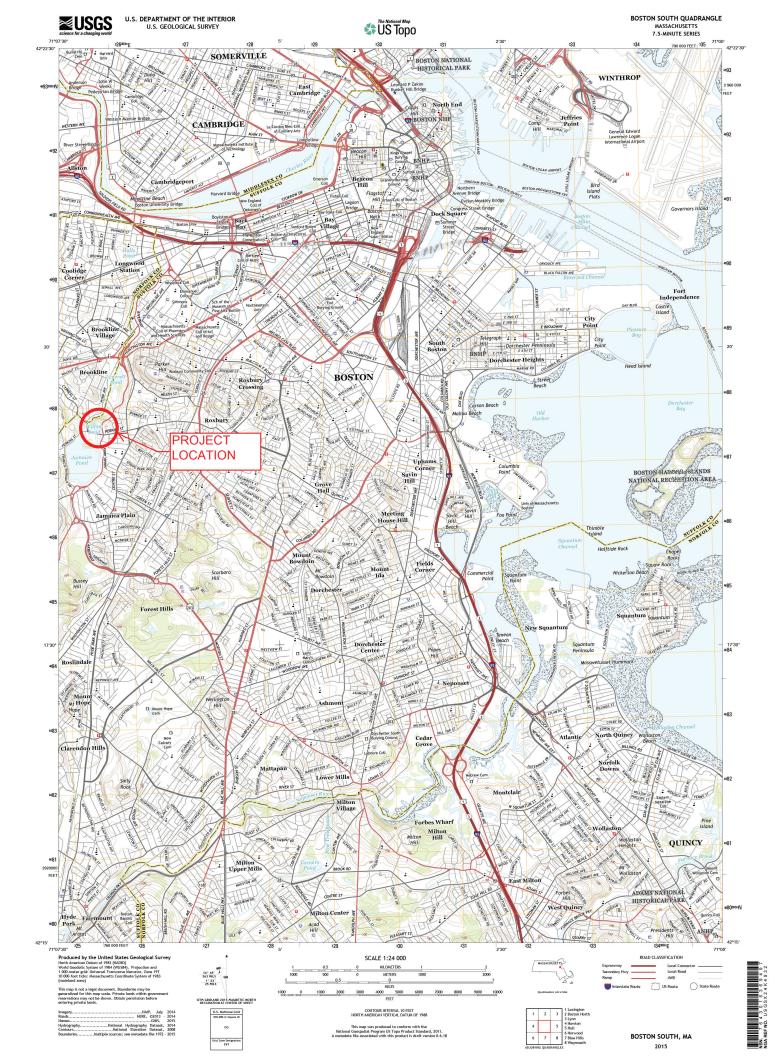
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Attachment B Locus Map



Attachment C

Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)

NOTES TO USERS

This map is for use in administering the National Flood Insurance Program. It does not necessarily identify all areas subject to flooding, particularly from local drainage sources of small size. The community map repository should be consulted for possible updated or additional flood hazard information.

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Boundaries of the floodways were computed at cross sections and interpolated between cross sections. The floodways were based on hydraulic considerations with regard to requirements of the National Flood insurance Program. Floodway widths and other pertinent floodway data are provided in the Flood insurance Study report for this purisdiction.

Certain areas not in Special Flood Hazard Areas may be protected by flood control structures. Refer to Section 2.4 "Flood Protection Measures" of the Flood Insurance Study report for information on flood control structures for this jurisdiction.

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NGS Information Services NOAA, N/NGS 12 National Geodetic Survey SSMC- 3, #9202 1315 East- West Highway Silver Spring, MD 20910- 3282

To obtain current elevation, description, and/or location information for bench marks shown on this map, please contact the Information Services Branch of the National Geodetic Survey at (301) 713-3242, or visit its website at http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/.

Base map information shown on this FIRM was derived from digital orthophotography. Base map files were provided in digital form by Massachusetts Geographic Information System (MassGIS). Otho imagery was produced at a scale of 1:5,000. Aerial photography is dated April 2005.

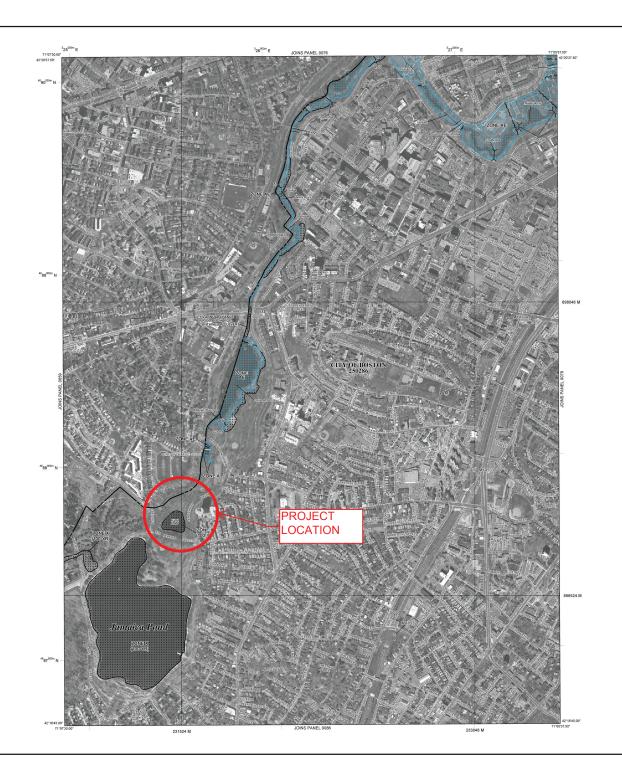
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Corporate limits shown on this map are based on the best data available at the time of publication. Because changes due to annexations or de-annexations may have occurred after this map was published, map users should contact appropriate community officials to verify current corporate limit locations.

Please refer to the separately printed Map Index for an overview map of the county showing the layout of map panets; community map repository addresses; and a Listing of Communities table containing National Flood Insurance Program dates for each community as well as a listing of the panets on which each community is located.

Contact the FEMA Map Service Center at 1-800-358-9616 for information or available products associated with this FIRM. Available products may include previously issued Letters of Map Change, a Flood Insurance. Study report ancidor adjust versions of this map. The FEMA Map Service Center may also be reached by Fax at 1-500-358-9502 or flos wheelite at http://www.mac.fema.gov/

If you have questions about this map or questions concerning the National Flood insurance Program in general, please call 1- 877- FEMA MAP (1- 877- 336- 2627) or visit the FEMA website at http://www.fema.gov/.





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Attachment D Abutter Notification

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

Under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (to be submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and the Conservation Commission when filing a Notice of Intent)

I, Marion Pressley, hereby certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that on February 6, 2018, I gave notification to abutters in compliance with the second paragraph of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, and the DEP Guide to Abutter Notification dated April 8, 1994, in connection with the following matter:

A Notice of Intent filed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act by the City of Boston with the Boston Conservation Commission on February 6, 2018 for **Olmsted Park Landscape Improvements**

The form of notification, and a list of the abutters to whom it was given and their addresses, are attached to this Affidavit of Service.

February 6, 2018

Name Date

NOTIFICATION TO ABUTTERS UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS WETLANDS PROTECTION ACT

In accordance with the second paragraph of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, you are hereby notified of the following:

- A. The name of the applicant is the City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department.
- B. The applicant has filed a **Notice of Intent** with the **Boston Conservation Commission** seeking permission to remove, fill, dredge or alter an Area Subject to Protection Under the Wetlands Protection Act (MGL chap. 131, Sec. 40).*
- C. The address of the lot(s) where the activity is proposed is **Olmsted Park in the Wards Pond** and **Nickerson Hill Area**
- D. The Notice of Intent may be examined at the Boston Conservation Commission at the Boston City Hall, One City Hall Plaza, 8th Floor Boston, Massachusetts 02201 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday.
- E. Information about the Notice of Intent may be obtained from Pressley Associates Inc, 219 Parker Street Newton, MA 02459, Attn: Marion Pressley or by calling (617) 969-1934 between 8 AM and 3 PM Monday through Friday.
- F. We understand that the hearing will be held on February 21, 2018 at 6 PM in Boston City Hall, Rm. 801.
- G. Notice of Public Hearing, including its date, time and place will *also* be published at least five (5) days in advance in **The Boston Globe and The Boston Herald.** You may also contact your local Conservation Commission or the nearest Department of Environmental Protection Regional Office for more information about this application or the Wetlands Protection Act. To contact the **Boston Conservation Commission**, call **617-635-3850**. To contact the Department of Environmental Protection, call the **Northeast Regional Office at (617) 292-5500**.

This project involves work in the 100-foot Buffer to Bordering Vegetated Wetland and the Riverfront Area of the Babbling Brook. The project consists of:

- Pruning of high priority trees
- Management of invasive vegetation
- New tree and shrub plantings
- Restoration of existing granite steps
- Grading and surfacing of site pathways
- Improvements at the Chestnut Street entrance and the Perkins Street/Jamaicaway entrance.

Abutter Notification - List of addresses within 100' of property

Jamaicaway Tower and Townhouses 111 Perkins St. Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Junke Liu or Current Resident 244 Jamaicaway Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Anthony Guarino or Current Resident 242 Jamaicaway Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

James Evans or Current Resident 332 Jamaicaway Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Earle Leeder Trust PO Box 369 Brookline, MA 02446

Sherri Schwaninger or Current Resident 5 Parkwood Terrace Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Alan Thibeault or Current Resident 6 Parkwood Terrace Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Joshua Cohen or Current Resident 240 Jamaicaway Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Evenlyn Barnes or Current Resident 120 Perkins Street Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

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Attachment E
Project Plans