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January 6, 2025

James Hegarty, Town Clerk
Town of Southborough
17 Common Street
Southborough, MA 01772

Re: Scenic Road Tree Removal Hearing/Decision – December 17, 2024
National Grid Tree List

Dear Mr. Hegarty:

See attached list titled "National Grid Tree Hearing - Final Result of Votes, December 17, 2024 - Tree Hearing List."

Following a duly advertised consolidated public hearing on December 17, 2024 with the Planning Board and the Tree Warden Designee, the Planning Board voted 5/0 (Luttrell-Yes, Stein-Yes, Hoolahan-Yes, DeMuria-Yes, Braccio-Yes) and Tree Warden Designee, Chris Leroy, voted-Yes, to **APPROVE trimming** of scenic road trees as follows: Tree ID #'s 8, 9, 36, 51, 82, 83, 90, 93, 97, 101, 102, 106, 109, and to **APPROVE the removal** of scenic road trees as follows: Tree ID #'s 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 37, 39, 40, 42, 43, 45, 46, 49, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 77, 80, 81, 84, 86, 88, 89, 91, 99, 100, 108, 110, 111, and 113.

In addition, for reference, the Tree Warden Designee Voted-Yes, to **Approve the removal** of trees (not under the Planning Board's Jurisdiction) as follows: Tree ID #'s 60, 61, 63, 65, 66, 67, 68, and 71.

The following trees on the Tree List are to be **saved** and not removed: Tree ID #'s 16, 23, 38, 41, 44, 47, 48, 57, 58, 69, 70, 78, 85, 96, 103, 105, and 107.

Attached for reference is also the National Grid Tree List spreadsheet dated 10/11/24 that was submitted with the Tree Removal Application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Colleen Stansfield".

Colleen Stansfield
Business Administrator, Planning

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Tree Hearing List

Tree ID Numbers (TID)	Trim	Remove	Save	
1		x		
3		x		
4		x		
5		x		
6		x		
7		x		
8	x			
9	x			
10		x		
11		x		
12		x		
13		x		
14		x		
15		x		
16			x	
17		x		
18		x		
19		x		
20		x		
21		x		
22		x		
23			x	
24		x		
25		<u>x</u>		
26		<u>x</u>		
27		x		
28		x		
29		x		
30		x		
31		x		
32		x		
33		x		
35		x		

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Tree ID Numbers (TID)	Trim	Remove	Save	
36	x			
37		x		
38			x	
39		x		
40		x		
41			x	
42		x		
43		x		
44			x	
45		x		
46		x		
47			x	
48			x	
49		x		
51	x			
52		x		
53		x		
54		x		
55		x		
56		x		
57			x	
58			x	
60		x		Not under PB jurisdiction (not in right of way)
61		x		Not under PB jurisdiction (not in right of way)
63		x		Not under PB jurisdiction (not in right of way)
65		x		Not under PB jurisdiction (not in right of way)
66		x		Not under PB jurisdiction (not in right of way)
67		x		Not under PB jurisdiction (not in right of way)
68		x		Not under PB jurisdiction (not in right of way)
69			x	
70			x	
71		x		Not under PB jurisdiction (not in right of way)
77		x		

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Tree ID Numbers (TID)	Trim	Remove	Save	
78			x	
80		x		
81		x		
82	x			
83	x			
84		x		
85			x	
86		x		
88		x		
89		x		
90	x			
91		x		
93	x			
96			x	
97	x			
99		x		
100		x		
101	x			
102	x			
103			x	
105			x	
106	x			
107			x	
108		x		
109	x			
110		x		
111		x		
113		x		

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TID	Site ID	House #	Street Name	Location	Pole #	Owner	Dia.	# Stem	Species	Defect				
1	DC10	Lot	Northborough Rd	AF	7-6	T	22		Maple	Lean, weight to line branch cavities with decay more than 50% decline	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
3	DC20	9	Parkerville Rd		101-100	T	38		Pine	More than 50% decline weight over lines, wounds on trunk	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
4	DC20	9	Parkerville Rd		101-100	T	38		Pine	More than 50% decline weight over lines, wounds on trunk	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
5	DC20	9	Parkerville Rd		100-99	T	38		Pine	More than 50% decline weight over lines, wounds on trunk	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
6	DC21	Lot	Parkerville Rd		100-99	T	34		Pine	Lean, weight over lines, more than 50% decline, multiple dead limbs, proximity to lines	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
7	DC22	Lot	Parkerville Rd	AF	98-97	T	36		Pine	Lean, weight to line, more than 25% decline, cavity at base w/decay signs of insects in trunk	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
8	DC22	Lot	Parkerville Rd	AF	98-97	T	38		Pine	Weight to line weak union remove 10" limb about 10" up going to lines	Trim	A	Agree	317W3
9	DC22	Lot	Parkerville Rd	AF	98-97	T	36		Pine	Weight to line, more than 50% decline, remove 15" limb about 8" up going to lines	Trim	A	Agree	317W3
10	DC23	Lot	Parkerville Rd		98-97	T	16		Maple	More than 75% decline, proximity to lines, cavities w/decay	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
11	DC23	Lot	Parkerville Rd		98-97	T	24	2	Maple	More than 50% decline, proximity to lines, one lead dead, weight over lines	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
12	DC23	Lot	Parkerville Rd		97-96	T	35		Pine	Weight over lines proximity to lines, previous failure	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
13	DC24	10	Parkerville Rd		96-95	T	38		Pine	Weight over lines, more than 50% decline, multiple dead limbs	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
14	DC24	10	Parkerville Rd		96-95	T	38		Pine	Weight over lines, more than 75% one lead dead, multiple cavities w/decay	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
15	DC24	10	Parkerville Rd		96-95	T	36		Pine	Weight over lines, one lead dead, codominant, multiple cavities w/decay	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
16	DC25	53	Parkerville Rd		94-93	T	36		Ash	Almost dead	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
17	DC26	23	Parkerville Rd		92-91	T	25	2	Pine	More than 75% decline, weight over lines, codominant w/included bark	Remove	A	Agree	317W3

10/11/2024

After Viewing and Evaluate the Pines on this list on Parkerville Rd and taking w/line faults
that these Pines have mut faults

* See BACK

Circuit Voltage 13.8kV

- A. Neighbors have voiced concerns about these trees
- b. Multi Problems
 - 1. location / Safety
- c. Structural health
- D. Winter damage - Retain / Needles - snow & ice, wind
- E. Oppressiveness - N.W. wind
- F. Shallow Root system, Soft + Wood Rot, insect Problems, Needle cast, included branch and leader attachment

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	18	DC26	23	Parkerville Rd		93-92	T	30		Pine	More than 75% decline, multiple cavities w/decline, signs of internal decay	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	19	DC27	12	Parkerville Rd	AF	93-92	T	18	4	Maple	Large cavity in lead leaning to line. remove that lead only	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	20	DC28	14	Parkerville Rd	AF	92-91	T	25		Pine	More than 75% decline, cavity at base	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	21	DC28	14	Parkerville Rd	AF	92-91	T	38		Pine	Weight to line, more than 50% decline, codominant w/included bark	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	22	DC28	14	Parkerville Rd	AF	92-91	T	25		Pine	More than 75% decline	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	23	DC28	14	Parkerville Rd	AF	92-91	T	24		Pine	More than 75% decline	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	24	DC29	25	Parkerville Rd		92-91	T	25	2	Pine	Weight over lines, more than 75% decline, one lead broke off, cavity at base w/decay	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	25	DC29	25	Parkerville Rd		92-91	T	28	2	Pine	Weight over lines, more than 75% decline, one lead broke off w/decay	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	26	DC29	25	Parkerville Rd		92-91	T	30		Pine	Weight over lines, more than 50% decline, codominant w/included bark	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	27	DC29	25	Parkerville Rd		92-91	T	32		Pine	Weight over lines, more than 50% decline, codominant w/included bark	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	28	DC29	25	Parkerville Rd		92-91	T	32		Pine	Weight over lines, more than 75% decline, cavities w/decay	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	29	DC30	16	Parkerville Rd	AP	91	T	34		Pine	Weight to lines, more than 50% decline, multiple cracks up trunk w/decay	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	30	DC31	20	Parkerville Rd		89-88	T	28		Pine	Weight over lines, cavity at base w/decay	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	31	DC31	20	Parkerville Rd		89-88	T	30		Pine	Weight over lines, cavity at base w/decay, more than 50% decline, wounds w/dry rot, codominant w/included bark	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	32	DC31	20	Parkerville Rd		89-88	T	28		Pine	Weight over lines, more than 75% decline, buried to deep, probable root damage	Remove	A	Agree	317W3
	33	DC32	24	Parkerville Rd		87-86	T	30		Oak	All the weight over lines, old branch scars w/decay, electrical burn scar at line level, signs of root damage from recent road/sidewalk construction	Remove	A	Agree	317W3

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	35	DC33	28	Parkerville Rd		86-85	T	18		Hickory	Weight over lines, more than 75% decline, previous failure in one large branch now showing signs of decay, mushrooms on trunk indicating probably trunk decay	Remove	A	A	317W3
	36	DC33	28	Parkerville Rd		86-85	T	27		Oak	Lean, weight over lines. Remove 8" limb directly over lines	Trim	A	A	317W3
	37	DC33	28	Parkerville Rd		86-85	T	8		Hickory	More than 75% decline, large cavity at base w/decay	Remove	A	A	317W3
	38	DC33	28	Parkerville Rd		86-85	T	45		Oak	Lean, weight to lines/poles, more than 50% decline, multiple dead branches, internal decay w/significant decay	Remove	A	A	317W3
	39	DC34	39	Parkerville Rd		85-84	T	22		Oak	Lean, weight over lines, more than 75% decline, dead limbs	Remove	A	A	317W3
	40	DC35	30	Parkerville Rd		83-82	T	16		Oak	Heavy lean, weight over lines, multiple cavities, root damage visible	Remove	A	A	317W3
	41	DC35	30	Parkerville Rd		83-82	T	24		Oak	Heavy lean, all weight over lines, multiple dead branches, buried too deep backside, suspected root damage from construction	Remove	A	A	317W3
	42	DC35	30	Parkerville Rd		83-82	T	18		Oak	Heavy lean, weight over lines, more than 50% decline, cavity at base w/decay	Remove	A	A	317W3
	43	DC36	34	Parkerville Rd		82-81	T	27		Oak	Lean, weight over lines, more than 50% decline, large cavity at base w/decay	Remove	A	A	317W3
	44	DC37	Lot	Parkerville Rd		81-80	T	18		Oak	Lean, weight over lines, signs of boring insects, hollow area indicating internal decay, root flare injury	Remove	A	A	317W3
	45	DC37	Lot	Parkerville Rd		80-79	T	18		Oak	Lean, weight over lines, more than 75% decline, multiple cavities w/decay, wood pecker damage	Remove	A	A	317W3
	46	DC37	Lot	Parkerville Rd		80-79	T	18		Oak	Lean, weight over lines, more than 50% decline, wound ground to 12' up w/decay	Remove	A	A	317W3

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	47	DC40	Lot	Parkerville Rd		72-71	T	26		Oak	No root flare, buried too deep, more than 50% root system under black top, cavity near base w/decay	Remove		A	A	317W3
	48	DC41	Lot	Parkerville Rd		71-70	T	36		Oak	Lean, weight over lines, construction wounds w/dry rot present, definite construction damage to roots, cavity ground level w/decay	Remove		A	A	317W3
	49	DC42	Lot	Parkerville Rd	AF	71-70	T	30		Oak	More than 50% decline, no root flare, buried too deep, probable root damage from road construction	Remove		A	A	317W3
	51	DC52	21	Woodland Rd		7-8	T	32		Beech	Remove 4" dead branch above lines	Trim		A	A	317W3
	52	DC54	42	Woodland Rd		11-12	T	35		Ash	Lean, weight over lines, more than 50% decline	Remove		A	A	317W3
	53	DC55	31	Woodland Rd		11-12	T	12		Hickory	Heavy lean, weight over lines, cavity w/decay at ground level	Remove		A	A	317W3
	54	DC57	43	Woodland Rd		17-18	T	24		Ash	Weight over lines, More than 50% decline, borers present, wood pecker damage	Remove		A	A	317W3
	55	DC60	59	Woodland Rd		24-26	T	22		Oak	Dead	Remove		A	A	317W3
	56	DC61	Lot	Woodland Rd	AF	24-26	T	12		Locust	Cavity at base w/decay, more than 50% decline	Remove		A	A	317W3
	57	DC62	Lot	Woodland Rd		26-27	T	13		Oak	Heavy lean, weight over lines, more than 75% decline	Remove		A	A	317W3
	58	DC62	Lot	Woodland Rd		26-27	T	18		Oak	Heavy lean, weight over lines, more than 75% decline	Remove		A	A	317W3
	60	DC63	Lot	Woodland Rd	AF	26-27	T	18	2	Maple	Lean, weight to lines, more than 50% decline, cavity w/decay	Remove		A	A	317W3
	61	DC63	Lot	Woodland Rd	AF	26-27	T	32		Oak	Heavy lean, weight over lines, more than 75% decline, large cavity backside w/decay	Remove		A	A	317W3
	63	DC64	Lot	Woodland Rd		27-29	T	30		Oak	Dead limbs over lines, remove 8", 6", 3" dead limbs	Trim		A	A	317W3
	65	DC66	Lot	Woodland Rd		31-32	T	18		Maple	Lean, weight to lines, more than 50% decline, cavity in trunk w/decay	Remove		A	A	317W3
	66	DC66	Lot	Woodland Rd		31-32	T	18	2	Maple	Remove lead to line that is almost dead	Trim		A	A	317W3
	67	DC66	Lot	Woodland Rd		32-34	T	12	2	Ash	Dead	Remove		A	A	317W3

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68	DC66	Lot	Woodland Rd			32-34	T	12		Ash	Lean, weight over lines, more than 75% decline, cavity at base w/decay	Remove	A	A	317W3
69	DC66	Lot	Woodland Rd			32-34	T	24		Ash	Dead	Remove	A	A	317W3
70	DC68	81	Woodland Rd		AF	34-36	T	16		Oak	Dead	Remove	A	A	317W3
71	DC69	Lot	Woodland Rd			34-36	T	24		Ash	Dead, large cavity at base w/decay	Remove	A	A	317W3
77	DC71	96	Breakneck Hill Rd			45-44	T	18		Pine	Entangled in wires, bark peeling off ground to 4' up, decay present	Remove	A	A	317W3
78	DC73	Lot	Middle Rd			52/3-52/4	T	25		Ash	Dead	Remove	A	A	317W4
80	DC03	40	Lovers Lane			24-23	T	26		Oak	Weight over lines, root damage, large wound at base w/decay, half roots under pavement, signs of internal decay	Remove	A	A	317W4
81	DC04	36	Lovers Lane			22-21	T	28		Oak	Weight over lines, more than 75% decline, multiple dead branches, water sprouts, decay in trunk, more than half roots under pavement	Remove	A	A	317W4
82	DC05	35	Lovers Lane			22-21	T	36		Oak	Weight over lines, multiple cavities at base w/decay, Remove 8" limb and 4" limb directly over lines both are dead	Trim	A	A	317W4
83	DC07	29	Lovers Lane			17/50-17	T	16		Oak	Remove 6" lead over lines back to union	Trim	A	A	317W4
84	DC07	29	Lovers Lane			17/50-17	T	20		Hickory	Lean into pole, weight over pole, more than 50% decline, root damage w/decay	Remove	A	A	317W4
85	DC08	Lot	Lovers Lane			17-16/50	T	15		Hickory	Lean, weight over lines, more than 50% decline, root damage w/decay	Remove	A	A	317W4
86	DC08	Lot	Lovers Lane			17-16/50	T	8		Hickory	90% decline, top dead	Remove	A	A	317W4
88	DC09	22A	Lovers Lane			16-15/50	T	22		Hickory	More than 90% decline, decay at base	Remove	A	A	317W4
89	DC10	22	Lovers Lane			15/50-15	T	13		Hickory	Lean, weight overlines, more than 75% decline, heavy vines	Remove	A	A	317W4
90	DC10	22	Lovers Lane			15/50-15	T	15		Hickory	Remove 8" lead overlines, 50% decline	Trim	A	A	317W4
91	DC10	22	Lovers Lane			15/50-15	T	14		Hickory	Lean, weight over lines, more than 50% decline, cavity at base w/decay	Remove	A	A	317W4
93	DC15	Lot	Lovers Lane			12-11/50	T	22		Ash	Lean, weight over lines, more than 50% decline	Remove	(D) TRIM	Trim	317W4

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96	DC18	5	Flagg Rd	AF	3-4	T	32		Oak	Lean, weight over lines, multiple mechanical damage w/decay present, more than 30% decline		Remove	A	A	317W4
97	DC18	5	Flagg Rd	AF	4-6	T	38		Oak	Remove 8" limb about 35' up back to union w/main limb, remove 12" limb about 30' up back to main trunk. Both directly over lines and 50% decline		Trim	A	A	317W4
99	DC22	14	Flagg Rd		12-14	T	13		Arbovitae	Dead		Remove	A	A	317W4
100	DC22	14	Flagg Rd		12-14	T	16		Arbovitae	More than 90% decline		Remove	A	A	317W4
101	DC22	14	Flagg Rd		12-14	T	24		Hickory	Weight over line, more than 75% decline	(D)	Remove	Trim	Trim	317W4
102	DC24	Lot	Flagg Rd	AF	17-18	T	24		Oak	Lean, weight to line, more than 75% decline, leaves seem to have stunted growth	(D)	Remove	Trim	Trim	317W4
103	DC24	Lot	Flagg Rd	AF	18-19	T	35		Oak	Lean, weight over line, more than 75% decline, previous failure, cavity w/decay		Remove	A	A	317W4
105	DC25	31	Flagg Rd	AF	19-20	T	36		Oak	Weight over line, more than 50% decline, cavity ground to 20' up w/decay, signs of insect and internal decay		Remove	A	A	317W4
106	DC26	Lot	Flagg Rd		20-21	T	38		Oak	Weight over line, more than 75% decline	(D)	Remove	Trim	Trim	317W4
107	DC33	38	Flagg Rd		28-29	T	24		Maple	Weight over line, more than 75% decline, cavity 8' up w/decay		Remove	A	A	317W4
108	DC34	Lot	Flagg Rd		30-31	T	25		Oak	Lean, weight over lines, cavity at base with decay and insect damage, multiple dead branches		Remove	A	A	317W4
109	DC39	73	Flagg Rd	AF	40-41	T	42		Oak	Remove 10" limb over line back to main trunk. Limb more than 75% decline		Trim	A	A	317W4
110	DC40	77	Flagg Rd	AF	42-43	T	42		Oak	Weight over lines, more than 75% decline, one lead broke off leaving large cavity w/ extensive decay		Remove	A	A	317W4
111	RK07	5	Ward Rd	AF	5-4	T	42		Maple	Extensive trunk decay		Remove	A	A	317W5
113		22	Lattisquama Rd		9-10	T	25		Maple	Cavities w/decay		Remove	A	A	

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