
FW: GDI Sosnik Lot Tree revivals

3 messages

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Thu, Apr 5, 2018 at 12:21 PM

To: Christina Stacey <cstacey@portlandmaine.gov>, Jeff Tarling <jst@portlandmaine.gov>, Philip DiPierro <pd@portlandmaine.gov>

Dear Chris,

Attached are some photographs showing the trees in question. Based on our site visit, we estimate the trees to be in the 10" to 12" size range.

Thank you,

Stephen

From: Stephen Mohr
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2018 12:20 PM
To: Jeff Tarling <jst@portlandmaine.gov>
Subject: GDI Sosnik Lot Tree revivals

Jeff,

Good afternoon.

As discussed, here is the letter from the insurance company that provides coverage for the Sosnik lot on Great Diamond Island, in the GDI Diamond Cove project. As you can see., the Insurance folks at the Allen Agency are concerned about the safety of the house because of the proximity of a few of the Red Oaks.

Per my conversation with you I went to the property in February to assess the tree conditions and safety issues, and am in agreement with the insurance company with respect to two of the N. Red Oaks on the east side of the house. As you can see in the photos there are two N. Red Oak within 6 feet of the house (one of which is flagged with orange tape in the images) which clearly present an issue for wind throw onto the house. I am recommending removal of the two trees (the flagged one and the other immediately south of that tree) with no stump removal.

As you know, I worked on the original tree inventory on this project and property in 1989, and I have included a panoramic image to show you the density of trees that exist between the house and the Cove. In my opinion replacement trees are not necessary to maintain the intended/required visual buffer, but I will defer to you if you require replanting.

Can you please review this request and either approve the removals without replanting, or if you do want some replacement trees, might I suggest 3 Red Maple (not cultivars) at 1.5" caliper? Please let me know if there are any issues beyond the replanting.

Many thanks,

Stephen

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 **Allen Ins. Letter.pdf**
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If you can replace each removed tree with two native tree species, minimum 1" caliper, I think that would be acceptable. Maybe just shoot me an e-mail with what species you will plant, and provide some indication of where you will plant them (should be in the vicinity of the removed trees if possible, or closer to the water). I can save that e-mail in the file as a record of what we agreed to.

Thanks,
Chris
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Chris,

We will plant the trees in the general vicinity as the trees that are coming out, with a couple a little closer to the water. Per Jeff Tarling's recommendation, we will plant two Amelanchier in the sunnier location, and two hop hornbeam in the shadier location. They will be 1" cal trees.

Thanks for your help with this.

Stephen

From: Christina Stacey <cstacey@portlandmaine.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2018 12:30 PM
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