



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Resource Protection - Wetlands

WPA Form 1- Request for Determination of Applicability City/Town

Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act M.G.L. c. 131, §40

A. General Information

Important:
When filling out
forms on the
computer, use
only the tab key
to move your
cursor - do not
use the return
key.



1. Applicant:

Deborah Stevens

Name

8 Cricket Lane

Mailing Address

Littleton

City/Town

978 496-0677

Phone Number

DLSCOM@Verizon.net

E-Mail Address

MA

State

01460

Zip Code

Fax Number (if applicable)

2. Representative (if any):

Firm

Contact Name

E-Mail Address

Mailing Address

City/Town

State

Zip Code

Phone Number

Fax Number (if applicable)

B. Determinations

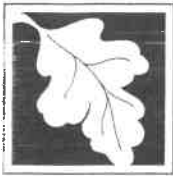
1. I request the Littleton Conservation Commission make the following determination(s). Check any that apply:

- ☐ a. whether the **area** depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced below is an area subject to jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act.
- ☐ b. whether the **boundaries** of resource area(s) depicted on plan(s) and/or map(s) referenced below are accurately delineated.
- ☒ c. whether the **work** depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act.
- ☒ d. whether the area and/or work depicted on plan(s) referenced below is subject to the jurisdiction of any **municipal wetlands ordinance or bylaw** of:

Littleton

Name of Municipality

- ☐ e. whether the following **scope of alternatives** is adequate for work in the Riverfront Area as depicted on referenced plan(s).



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C. Project Description

1. a. Project Location (use maps and plans to identify the location of the area subject to this request):

8 Cricket Lane

Street Address

Littleton

City/Town

U46-1-0

Assessors Map/Plat Number

Parcel/Lot Number

- b. Area Description (use additional paper, if necessary):

Home is between Spectacle Pond in front and wetlands in the back

- c. Plan and/or Map Reference(s):

Title

Date

Title

Date

Title

Date

2. a. Work Description (use additional paper and/or provide plan(s) of work, if necessary):

Removal of 2 Pines in front and 4 Oaks in back no stump grinding will be done see additional map



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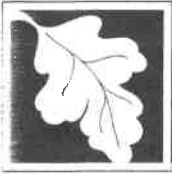
C. Project Description (cont.)

b. Identify provisions of the Wetlands Protection Act or regulations which may exempt the applicant from having to file a Notice of Intent for all or part of the described work (use additional paper, if necessary).

3. a. If this application is a Request for Determination of Scope of Alternatives for work in the Riverfront Area, indicate the one classification below that best describes the project.

- ☐ Single family house on a lot recorded on or before 8/1/96
- ☐ Single family house on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- ☐ Expansion of an existing structure on a lot recorded after 8/1/96
- ☐ Project, other than a single family house or public project, where the applicant owned the lot before 8/7/96
- ☐ New agriculture or aquaculture project
- ☐ Public project where funds were appropriated prior to 8/7/96
- ☐ Project on a lot shown on an approved, definitive subdivision plan where there is a recorded deed restriction limiting total alteration of the Riverfront Area for the entire subdivision
- ☐ Residential subdivision; institutional, industrial, or commercial project
- ☐ Municipal project
- ☐ District, county, state, or federal government project
- ☐ Project required to evaluate off-site alternatives in more than one municipality in an Environmental Impact Report under MEPA or in an alternatives analysis pursuant to an application for a 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or 401 Water Quality Certification from the Department of Environmental Protection.

b. Provide evidence (e.g., record of date subdivision lot was recorded) supporting the classification above (use additional paper and/or attach appropriate documents, if necessary.)



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D. Signatures and Submittal Requirements

I hereby certify under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing Request for Determination of Applicability and accompanying plans, documents, and supporting data are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I further certify that the property owner, if different from the applicant, and the appropriate DEP Regional Office were sent a complete copy of this Request (including all appropriate documentation) simultaneously with the submittal of this Request to the Conservation Commission.

Failure by the applicant to send copies in a timely manner may result in dismissal of the Request for Determination of Applicability.

Name and address of the property owner:

Deborah Stevens / Linda Turner

Name

8 Cricket Lane

Mailing Address

Littleton

City/Town

MA


State

01460

Zip Code

Signatures:

I also understand that notification of this Request will be placed in a local newspaper at my expense in accordance with Section 10.05(3)(b)(1) of the Wetlands Protection Act regulations.


Signature of Applicant

5/6/2025

Date



5/6/2025

Signature of Representative (if any)

Date



**TOWN OF LITTLETON
BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

P.O. BOX 1305
LITTLETON, MA 01460
(978) 540-2410
FAX: (978) 952-2321

Date: May 5, 2025

Re: Certified List of Abutters Conservation Commission


Applicant: Deborah Stevens & Linda Turner
Name of Firm: _____
Mailing Address: 8 Cricket Lane Littleton MA 01460

Subject Parcel Location: 8 Cricket Lane
Subject Parcel No.: U46-1-0
Subject Owner Name: Stevens-Turner Family Trust

M.G.L. Chapter 131: Section 40 "Any person filing a notice of intention with a conservation commission shall at the same time give written notification thereof, by delivery in hand or certified mail, return receipt requested, to all abutters within one hundred feet of the property line of the land where the activity is proposed, but not limited to, owners of land directly opposite said proposed activity on any public or private street or way, and in another municipality or across a body of water. When a notice of intent proposes activities on land under water bodies and waterways or on a tract of land greater than 50 acres, written notification shall be given to all abutters within 100 feet of the proposed project site. For the purposes of this action, "project site" shall mean lands where the following activities are proposed to take place: dredging, excavating, filling, grading, the erection, reconstruction or expansion of a building or structure, the driving of pilings, the construction or improvement of roads or other ways and the installation of drainage, sewerage and water systems, and "land under water bodies and waterways" shall mean the bottom of, or land under, the surface of the ocean or an estuary, creek, river stream, pond or lake. When a notice of intent proposes activity on a linear shaped project site longer than 1,000 feet in length, notification shall be given to all abutters within 1,000 feet of the proposed project site. If the linear project site takes place wholly within an easement through another person's land, notice shall also be given to the landowner. Said notification shall be at the applicant's expense, and shall state where copies of the notice of intention may be examined and obtained and where information regarding the date, time and place of the public hearing may be obtained. Proof of such notification, with a copy of the notice mailed or delivered, shall be filed with the conservation commission."

I hereby certify the attached list of abutter (s) as stated in the M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40.

Number of Abutter(s) 5 including the subject parcels 1 Applicant Requesting Abutter's List.

Certified by: 

Name: Kim Prehl

Title: Office Assistant

72 SPECTACLE POND RD	R22 12 16
SHAH SUKETU	LUC: 101
SHAH LAUREL	
72 SPECTACLE POND RD	
LITTLETON, MA 01460	
8 CRICKET LN	U46 1 0
STEVENS-TURNER FAMILY TRUST	LUC: 101
TRUSTEE STEVENS DEBORAH L	
8 CRICKET LN	
LITTLETON, MA 01460	
10 CRICKET LN	U46 3 C
PARADIS GEORGE W L/E	LUC: 101
PARADIS DIANA L/E	
10 CRICKET LANE	
LITTLETON, MA 01460	
CRICKET LN	U46 3 D
STEVENS-TURNER FAMILY TRUST	LUC: 132
TRUSTEE STEVENS DEBORAH L	
8 CRICKET LN	
LITTLETON, MA 01460	
6 CRICKET LN	U46 3 E
PARADIS GEORGE W LIVING TR	LUC: 101
PARADIS DIANA LIVING TR	
10 CRICKET LN	
LITTLETON, MA 01460	



Littleton Conservation Commission

37 Shattuck Street / Room 303

Phone: 978 540-2428

Fax: 978 952-2321

Littleton Wetland Protection Regulations

Waiver Request Requirement Information (Section 1.4)

Date: 5/7/25 Applicant/Owner: Deborah Stevens / Linda Turner

Map/Lot: 446-1-0 Project Address: 8 Cricket Lane

In order request a waiver, the following provides a guidance for required information (attach additional text, plans, photos or graphics if needed):

Project purpose and need: Remove 2 pine and 4 oak
trees to ensure the safety of homeowner
and property

What specific action(s) is the Waiver being asked for? Remove the 6 trees
that are within less than 50 feet of
Spectacle pond and wetlands

How is the action(s) in the public interest, necessary to avoid a taking, necessary to prevent a safety hazard or water dependent? To prevent safety hazard
and benefit surrounding eco system

How is the action(s) consistent with the intent and purpose of the Bylaw? _____

Necessary to prevent safety hazard.
Replanting trees as mitigation.

See MAP

Existing and proposed site conditions (ie, impervious, lawn & disturbed areas) (square feet; show on plan): _____

Existing and proposed distances of land uses from wetland resource areas (show on plan): _____

Analysis of less environmentally damaging practicable alternative: NONE

Proposed short term and long term protection of wetland resource areas: _____

None proposed

Is the site in a Zone I, II or III (groundwater) or Zone A, B or C (surface water) water supply area: NO

Are there critical, unique or sensitive resource areas in the area (ie, NHESP mapped habitat, vernal pools, unusual wetland types, cold water fisheries, outstanding resource waters, Core Habitat, Conservation land, etc); show on plan: NO

Other factors for consideration: _____

Signature: Debrah Stein Project: _____

NEW ENGLAND
TREE MASTERS
DIVISION OF HIGH QUALITY INC.

CJ Santos
New England Tree Masters
871 Massachusetts Ave
Roxborough MA 01719
newenglandtreemasters@yahoo.com
978-263-8005

May 5th, 2025

Location: 8 Cricket Lane, Littleton MA

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you as a professional arborist to address a pressing matter concerning the trees located on the property at 8 Cricket Lane, Littleton MA. This consists of a 2 Pine and 4 Oak in the right side of the house. After a thorough assessment of these trees, I have identified several critical issues that necessitate their removal to ensure the safety of the homeowner, the property and to benefit the surrounding ecosystem.

Safety Concerns: Size, species, health and structure of these trees impose a threat to the homeowner's house and property. They are at risk of harming the homeowners house if they were to fall.

Based on the aforementioned factors, it is my professional recommendation that the trees be removed to prevent safety hazards and enhance the health of the surrounding areas and property. The benefits of removing these trees outweigh the potential drawbacks, especially given the current condition and their impact on the property and ecosystem. Thank you for considering this request. Should you require any further information or wish to discuss this matter in greater detail, please do not hesitate to contact us at 978-263-8005.

Professional Arborist

CJ Santos



Certified Arborist #2165

Richard Gambale



NOTIFICATION TO ABUTTERS

Pick one:



Notice of Intent/Abbreviated NOI



Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation



Request for Determination of Applicability



Request to Amend an Order of Conditions (MADEP File # 204____)

Modification for Virtual Meetings

Under MA Wetlands Protection Act and Littleton Wetlands Protection ByLaw (Chapter 171), this form must be completed and mailed, certified mail return receipt requested, to all abutters at their mailing addresses shown on the most recent Town Assessor's records as well as the owner (if not applicant).

In accordance with the MA Wetlands Protection Act and Littleton Wetlands Protection ByLaw Chapter 171-2D, you are hereby notified of a public hearing on the matter described below:

- A. The applicant has filed a permit application with the Littleton Conservation Commission for work in an area subject to protection under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Littleton Wetlands Protection ByLaw.

- B. The name of the applicant is

Deborah Stevens Linda Turner

- C. The address of the land where the activity is proposed is

8 Cricket Ln 01460

- D. The work proposed is

Remove 2 pines + 4 oak that are hazardous

- E. Copies of the filing may be examined at the Conservation Commission office at 37 Shattuck Street Monday through Thursday; 9:00 – 1:00 (please call first to ensure the Conservation Agent is available and not out on site visits). The office phone number is 978-540-2428.

- F. Copies of the filing may be obtained electronically from (check one) the 1 applicant or _____ the applicant's representative by calling 978-496-0677 during the following times:

- G. The public hearing/meeting will be held on 5/27. Information regarding the date and time of the public hearing/meeting may be obtained from the Littleton Conservation Commission (see contact info at the end of this notice).
- H. Notice of the public hearing/meeting, including date and time will be published at least five business days in advance in a paper of local circulation. The agenda, noting times will be posted at Town Hall and at <https://ma-littleton.civicplus.com/AgendaCenter/Search/?term=&CIDs=13,&startDate=&endDate=&dateRange=&dateSelector=> at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting. It is currently anticipated that this meeting will be held entirely remotely, pursuant to "An Act Relative to Extending Certain State of Emergency Accommodations" (July 16, 2022) and the extension of that Act through March 21, 2025. If the meeting is held remotely, instructions for remote viewing of, and participation in, the meeting will be included in the agenda and may also be obtained from the Littleton Conservation Commission.

You may contact the Littleton Conservation Commission staff (Conservation@littletonma.org; 978-540-2428), or the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection/ Central Region (508-792-7650) at 8 New Bond Street, Worcester, MA 01606) for information about this application

9-14-2023

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

Under Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the Littleton Wetlands Protection ByLaw (Chapter 171), this form must be completed and submitted with the Notice of Intent, Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation or Request for Determination of Applicability.

I, Deborah Stevens + Linda Turner (name of applicant or representative) certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that on _____ (date) I gave notification to abutters in compliance with the second paragraph of the Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, DEP requirements for Abutter Notification and with the Littleton Wetlands ByLaw 171-2.D in connection with the following matter:

A (choose one of below)

____ Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation

____ Request for Determination of Applicability

☒ Notice of Intent / Abbreviated Notice of Intent

____ Request for Amended Order of Conditions (MADEP File # 204-_____)

has been filed under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Littleton Wetlands Protection ByLaw by Deborah Stevens + Linda Turner (name of applicant) with the Littleton Conservation Commission on 5/8/25 (date) for the property located at 8 Cricket Ln 01460 (address of land where work is proposed).

The list of abutters with their addresses and a copy of the Notification Abutter form as sent to the abutters is attached to this Affidavit of Service.

Deb Stevens + Linda Turner 5/8/25

Name

Date



Littleton Conservation Commission

37 Shattuck Street / Room B100

Phone: (978) 540-2428

Tree Removal Filing Checklist

Submit this checklist with application

(rev February 27, 2025)

Tree Removal Checklist to accompany application for Notice of Intent (NOI) or Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA). This is a form to aid you in submitting complete and appropriate information in your application. The following information is suggested/expected to be provided.

If you are not sure whether your proposed work requires an NOI or RDA, contact the Conservation Agent for a recommendation. The Conservation Agent can also suggest their opinion on if a tree health/hazard assessment should be included within the application. The Conservation Commission reserves the right to require a health/hazard assessment in cases where the Conservation Agent does not suggest including one in the application.

1. Filing an NOI ☐ RDA ☒
2. To meet the waiver requirements, trees proposed to be removed within the 50' No-Disturbance Area (NDA) require a hazardous designation. Does the application include a tree health/hazard assessment from a certified arborist? Yes ☒ No ☐
3. Are the trees being removed to accommodate other work such as single-family home accessory work, septic, etc? Yes ☐ No ☒
4. Total Number of Trees Proposed to be Removed 6
 - a. Number of Trees Within the 0' - 50' No-Disturbance Area (NDA) 6
 - b. Number of Trees Within the 50' - 100' Buffer
 - c. Number of Trees Within the 100' - 200' Riverfront Area
 - d. Number of Trees Within Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program (NHESP) areas
5. Tree Table (Attach additional information as needed)

Tree Designation # (to be shown on plan)	Tree Species	Tree DBH (Diameter at Breast Height)	Distance From Wetland Resource Area	Is the tree within existing lawn or a naturalized area? (Circle One)
1	Pine	75 inches	39 feet	Lawn <u>Naturalized</u>
2	Pine	84 inches	44 feet	Lawn <u>Naturalized</u>
3	OAK	68 inches	48 feet	Lawn <u>Naturalized</u>
4	OAK	43 inches	45 feet	Lawn <u>Naturalized</u>
5	OAK	58 inches	44 feet	Lawn <u>Naturalized</u>
6	OAK	40 inches	42 feet	Lawn <u>Naturalized</u>

6. Total Number of Proposed Plantings 6
- a. Tree Plantings 6
- b. Shrub Plantings

7. Planting Table (Attach additional information as needed)

Tree/Shrub Species	# of Plantings	Size of Plantings (DBH)	# Within 0'-50' NDA	# Within 50'- 100' Buffer	# Within 100'- 200' Riverfront Area
River Birch	6	3ft	6		

8. Photos of trees proposed to be removed are helpful and recommended to be included in an application.

9. Checklist of tree details to be shown on plan (In addition to standard plan requirements):

• Trees proposed to be removed

- Tree Designation Number
- Size (6"+ DBH)
- Species
- Location
- Distance between each tree and the closest wetland/resource area
- Distance between each tree and existing structures

See MAP

• Trees to remain

- Size (6+ DBH)
- Species
- Location

• Plantings

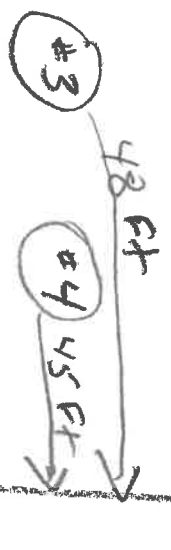
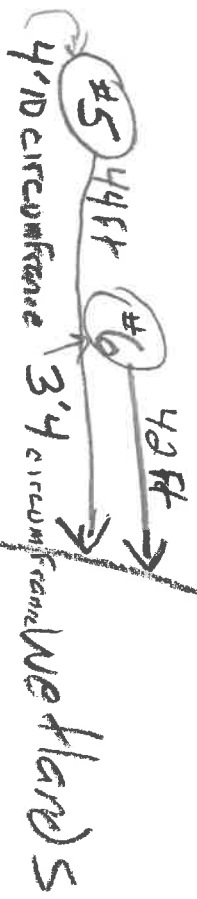
- 6 Species River Birch
- Location wetlands

10. Provide additional information as may be applicable.

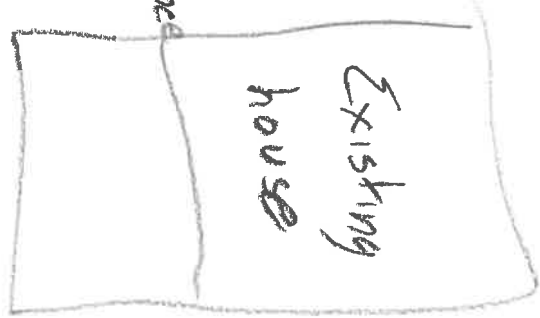
8 Cricket Lane
NE Tree Masters
No stump grinding
Replant 6 river Birch on wetland side

Remove
4 Oak

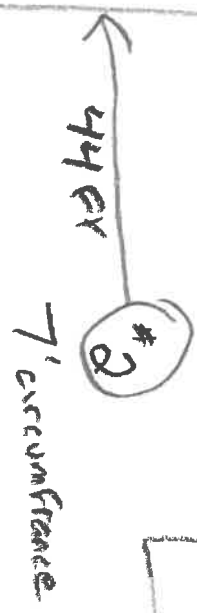
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- ③
- ③



518 3'7" circumference
③ ③ ③



Remove
2 pine



Spectacle
Pond