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March 27, 2024

Mr. Gary DePalma, Chair
Select Board
121 Glen Road
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Dear Chair DePalma,

The Department of Veterans Services and Select Board member Greg Bendel worked with the School Department and the School Committee to grant a posthumous diploma for Mr. Elmer Drew, who was killed on D-Day, June 6, 1944. Elmer Drew was a member of the Naval Combat Demolition Unit that would later become the Navy Seals and needed his mother's signature to join the Navy at 17.

Warren Drew will be presented with his uncle's diploma at the School Committee meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 7pm in the Large Instruction Room at the High School. We invite all members of the Select Board to attend.

Thank you,

Michael Frotten, Temporary Director
Department of Veterans' Services
Wilmington



TOWN OF WILMINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Highway Water & Sewer Engineering
Tree Parks & Grounds Cemetery

Interoffice Memorandum

TO: Lou Cimaglia, Temporary Town Manager

FROM: Jamie M. Magaldi, PE, MCA, Public Works Director²⁻⁴
Joseph Lobao, Deputy Public Works Director *JL*

SUBJECT: Recent Grant Awards

DATE: March 28, 2024

The Department of Public Works was recently notified that the Town of Wilmington was chosen to receive two separate grants that were recently applied for related to water quality and hydraulic capacity. The Finance Committee was briefed on these pending grants in the DPW's Budget Narrative dated February 6, 2024. Below is a summary of the two grants, **totaling \$1,139,952**. These grants will have a substantial impact on reducing reliance on Water Capital in order to execute these important and necessary projects.

1. Community Project Funding (CPF) – EPA **Value: \$959,752**
Granular Activated Carbon Replacement / Forest Street Water Main Lining and Cleaning
Awarded March 2024

The Department of Public Works applied for the CPF grant during the spring of 2023 and was notified by Congressman Seth Moulton's office in July of 2023 that Wilmington's project was secured in the FY 2024 Appropriations Committee Interior Subcommittee bill. The bill was approved by the full Appropriations Committee and received final vote by the House of Representatives in March 2024. The project is two part and includes replacing granular activated carbon filtration media at the treatment plants to help reduce PFAS concentrations as part of reoccurring maintenance, and the lining and cleaning of the existing water main on Forest Street to help with water quality. This grant greatly reduces reliance on the Water 5-Year Capital Plan by funding two important projects which are critical to water quality and were planned for implementation, regardless of the grant award. The DPW is in the process of working with EPA to set up the grant contract and related administrative paperwork. This project is planned for the spring and summer of 2024.

2 Ipswich River Basin and PFAS Grant Program – MassDEP **Value: \$180,200**
Water Booster Pump Station Design
Awarded March 2024

MassDEP introduced a grant opportunity in the beginning of December 2023 which offered funds to communities to design or construct projects that proposed a reduction of reliance on the stressed Ipswich River Basin, encourage alternate water sources other than the Ipswich, or address PFAS contamination in the groundwater source itself. The Town of Wilmington worked with Kleinfelder, one of the DPW's water consultants, to apply for this grant which allows the proposed water booster station

in the Woburn Street / Industrial Way area scheduled for FY27 in the existing Water Capital Plan to be partially designed earlier than expected, using grant funding. This project will greatly reduce impact to the Water 5-Year Capital Plan. As discussed in the capital plan, the booster station is necessary to help the town meet anticipated water demand during periods of drought, in the event more stringent water quality regulations are passed which would require more reliance on MWRA supply, or in the event the town's water treatment plants are taken off line for maintenance, and will improve fire protection within the town's system. This design project is planned for the spring of 2024 and the DPW is currently in the process of working to complete the MassDEP grant contract paperwork.

March 15, 2024

Wilmington Board of Selectmen Chairman
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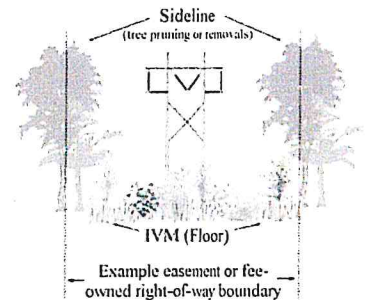
Re: National Grid's FY24 Annual Transmission Vegetation Maintenance Notification Pursuant to 220 C.M.R. § 22.03(1)

Dear Judith L O'Connell :

In accordance with the transmission vegetation maintenance notification requirements set forth in 220 C.M.R. §§ 22.03(1), New England Power Company and/or Massachusetts Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid (together, "National Grid") is providing Wilmington with the annual notification of upcoming sideline vegetation management activities within your municipality. These activities will be conducted between April 1, 2024 and March 31, 2025. You will receive an additional notice 30 days prior to the commencement of the sideline vegetation maintenance activities. *(Some towns have already received 30 days notifications about specific rights-of-ways. Please note, workplans are subject to change based on weather and budget requirements).*

National Grid manages its rights of ways by using two programs: a sideline program and a floor program (IVM).

National Grid's sideline program focuses on tree pruning and tree removals within the electric transmission right-of-way easement. Enclosed is a map showing where the sideline maintenance activities will take place. National Grid will notify the right-of-way abutters of the upcoming maintenance work.



National Grid's Integrated Vegetation Management Program (IVM) focuses on the removal of tall-growing trees and shrubs to encourage the establishment of a low growing shrub population on the right-of-way. The primary method of control will include manual cutting, selective mechanical mowing, and the application of federally approved and state registered herbicides to control targeted vegetation where site conditions allow. This program follows the regulations outlined in 333 CMR §§ 11.00. *Note: If you have any ROWs within your municipality that are being treated under the IVM program, then you have already been notified of this work under the procedures followed in 333 CMR §§ 11.00. Your municipality has these maps on file.*

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Please forward this notice on to other departments within your municipality that may want to review the notification. Please contact me at (781) 290-8310 or by email mariclaire.rigby@nationalgrid.com if you have any questions about National Grid's vegetation management programs.

Sincerely,

Mariclaire Rigby
Principal Specialist



Planned Work 2024

- Right of Way
- Wetland
- Town Border
- Stream

Right-of-Way 1241

National Grid intends to perform selective pruning and/or danger tree removal along the right-of-way shown above.

Wilmington, MA

