

Tree Assessment and Conservation 1+19 Sir John A MacDonald Parkway, Ottawa, Ontario

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Drawing TPP 01 & TPP 02

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1. Background

EXP Services has been retained by the National Capital Commission to assess the condition of the existing vegetation present on site, and to prepare a tree conservation report based a development concept plan for the re-zoning of the subject lands by the City of Ottawa.

The NCC is looking to complete a rezoning request for a 3.7 hectare site located north of Burnside Avenue between Forward Avenue and Slidell Street and bounded to the north by the Sir John A MacDonald Parkway (SJAMP) and Burnside Avenue to the south. The site is currently zoned as 'Open Space and Leisure', and the National Capital Commission (NCC) would like to rezone as Residential First Density (R1).

For the purposes of the rezoning request, the land has been divided into 6 parcels (see draft concept plan P1), with a pathway along the northern edge of the site and two pathway connections through the site. Parkland has been provided at the eastern edge of the site.





Figure 1 – Site Location Map

2. Introduction

The current site plan has indicated each parcel is to be developed with entry driveway, an office building and associated parking lot. The site is current vacant with mature trees on the site, the site is flat in general.



This Report performs the following:

- Evaluates the trees within the subject site that may be impacted during site construction,
- Evaluates the trees on adjacent lands that may be impacted during site construction.
- Determines which trees are to be removed and tree protection measure.

A tree inventory was conducted on May 12th, 2018 on the site.

3. Development Proposal

The proposed development concept of six parcels which will be rezoned and developed as residential (R1) land-uses. The NCC has prepared a concept plan showing six parcels, the size of the buildings are as follows:

Parcel	GFA
	(m2)
Parcel 1	2,430
Parcel 2	2,139
Parcel 3	2,123
Parcel 4	2,360
Parcel 5	2,090
Parcel 6	2,147
Total	13,289

The concept includes a new pathway long the SJAMP, and two connections to adjacent local streets through the site. Included in the development concept includes 1,596 m2 of parkland. The Concept Plan shows potential access to the local roadway network, parking, and entrances.

As the project moves forward, each parcel will need to follow a site plan approval process which may include the preparation of separate Tree Conservation and Compensation plans.

4. Method of Evaluation

The subject property is governed by The Private Tree Protection By-law No. 2009-200 of the City of Ottawa.

Each tree location and associated identification number was denoted on *Drawing TPP* for ease of reference. The trees were measured for DBH (Diameter at Breast Height) 1.4m above grade and for approximate height in meters.

The trees were assessed in accordance with the International Society of Arboriculture Methodology, by visual inspection from ground locations only. The tree was not climbed, nor was invasive assessment techniques (trunk boring) employed. The tree inventory and observations are summarized in Drawing TPP01 and TPP 02.



4.1 Assessment:

Vegetation is assessed based on a visual inspection of the trunk and branch condition, structure, foliage condition, and evidence of abiotic (environmental, mechanical and physical damage) and biotic (insects and disease) stressors.

4.2 Condition:

Tree health and condition is evaluated as poor, fair or good:

- Poor Considerable dieback, contorted growth, diseased, or extensive physical damage, root damage, decay, cavities, and presence of secondary agents (harmful insects) that aid in the decline of the tree. The plant may have reached its normal life expectancy.
- Fair some dieback, signs, and symptoms of stress both by non-living and living agents, aesthetic value is compromised; however, the tree continues to show healthy growth.
- Good healthy, vigorous growth, strong branch attachment, and taper, no signs or symptoms of stress.

5. Vegetation Summary

5.1 Trees within Subject Property

Trees on the site are a mix of various deciduous and coniferous species. Manitoba maple (*Acer negundo*) trees dominate in the middle of the site, the trees are in clusters, most of the trees in poor condition, such as broken branches, leaning trunks, several big trunks fell on the ground due to the recent storm happened a few days prior the site visit. Ash (*Fraxinus sp.*), Elm (*Ulmus sp.*), Willow (*Salix sp.*) were found, the conditions are not good, similar to Manitoba maple.

Other species include Silver Maple (*Acer saccharinum*), Sugar Maple (*Acer platanoides*), Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*), Hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*), Austrian Pine (*Pinus nigra*), White Pine (*Pinus strobus*), Scott Pine (*Pinus sylvestris*), Blue Spruce (*Picea pungens*), Larch (*Larix sp.*), these trees are in fairly good conditions, scatted or in grouping in the east and north perimeter of the site.

5.2 Trees within City's Properties

City's properties are the Right of Way (ROW) and the City's parkland/ open space. Trees in these land include are on the open space to the east, the ROW to the north and smaller trees along the sidewalks of Burnside Ave. Austrian pine, Scott Pine, Sugar Maple, Pin Oak and White Spruce are the major species. Majority of the trees are mature and in good conditions



6. Plant Valuation Process

6.1 Study Criteria

The composition of individual trees and tree grouping were analyzed utilizing the following categories;

- Common and Botanical Classification
- General Health
- Size
- Species Potential for Preservation in an Urban Situation
- Site Potential to Support Vegetation given proposed grading and drainage changes.

Taking all the above factors into consideration a recommendation for preservation or removal was given.

6.2 Removal & Preservation Recommendations

Trees will not thrive if major disruptions occur in their micro-environment. Changes in grade, drainage and wind pattern can all contribute to their decline and eventual death. This can result in very costly removal fees once construction is completed around the trees. Therefore, extreme care must be taken with any trees scheduled for preservation. To remove trees prior to construction is cost-effective, but where possible every effort should be made to preserve trees. The decision to preserve trees must be coupled with sound arboriculture methods to ensure the long-term health and survival of preserved trees.

6.2.1 Trees Recommended for Removal

As indicated on the Tree Inventory & Protection Plan (Drawing TPP 01), majority of the trees will need to be removed due to the site construction of proposed buildings, parking lots and driveways. A coupe of trees will be removed due to poor conditions such as tree C9, C15. and C 43 to 48. All the Manitoba maple trees will be removed for both site construction and poor conditions.

6.2.2 Trees Recommended for Preservation

For trees which trunks are beyond 6m to the construction limits, in fair or good condition, these trees should be protected with tree hoardings, the trees hoardings will be installed prior to the start of construction and will remain on site during all stage of construction. As indicated on the Tree Inventory & Protection Plan (Drawing TPP 01), trees to be protected are mostly in the east and north of the property. Trees in the City's ROW and open space are all to remain five trees which are in the proposed sidewalk (tree C38 - C40) and in poor condition (C9, C15).

As an arboricultural standards practice, the minimal tree protection zone (TPZ) radius is based on drip lines or the diameter of the tree trunk (TPZ \approx 6 x DBH). Tree hoardings installed should refer to the locations on Drawing TPP 01 and detail on Drawing TPP 02.



7. Assumptions & Limitations

This assessment and evaluation is limited to the assignment and purpose as stated within the Introduction.

The assessment has been conducted using a visual examination of only the above-ground parts of trees. Unless specifically noted trees were not cored, probed, sounded or climbed. Parts of the trees below ground, unless specifically noted, were not inspected nor exposed by excavation for assessment.

Trees are living organisms that respond individually to outside influences such as climate, biotic changes, and abiotic changes. As such, this assessment is limited to the observations made at the time of inspection.

8. Closure

The review of existing vegetation confirmed there are no trees considered to be species at risk (SAR). However, a few significant trees were identified. The current development plan impacts a number of trees, and some significant species.

A compensation tree plan will be developed using the development concept plan. The proposed planting plan will use local native, low maintenance species common to the Ottawa area.

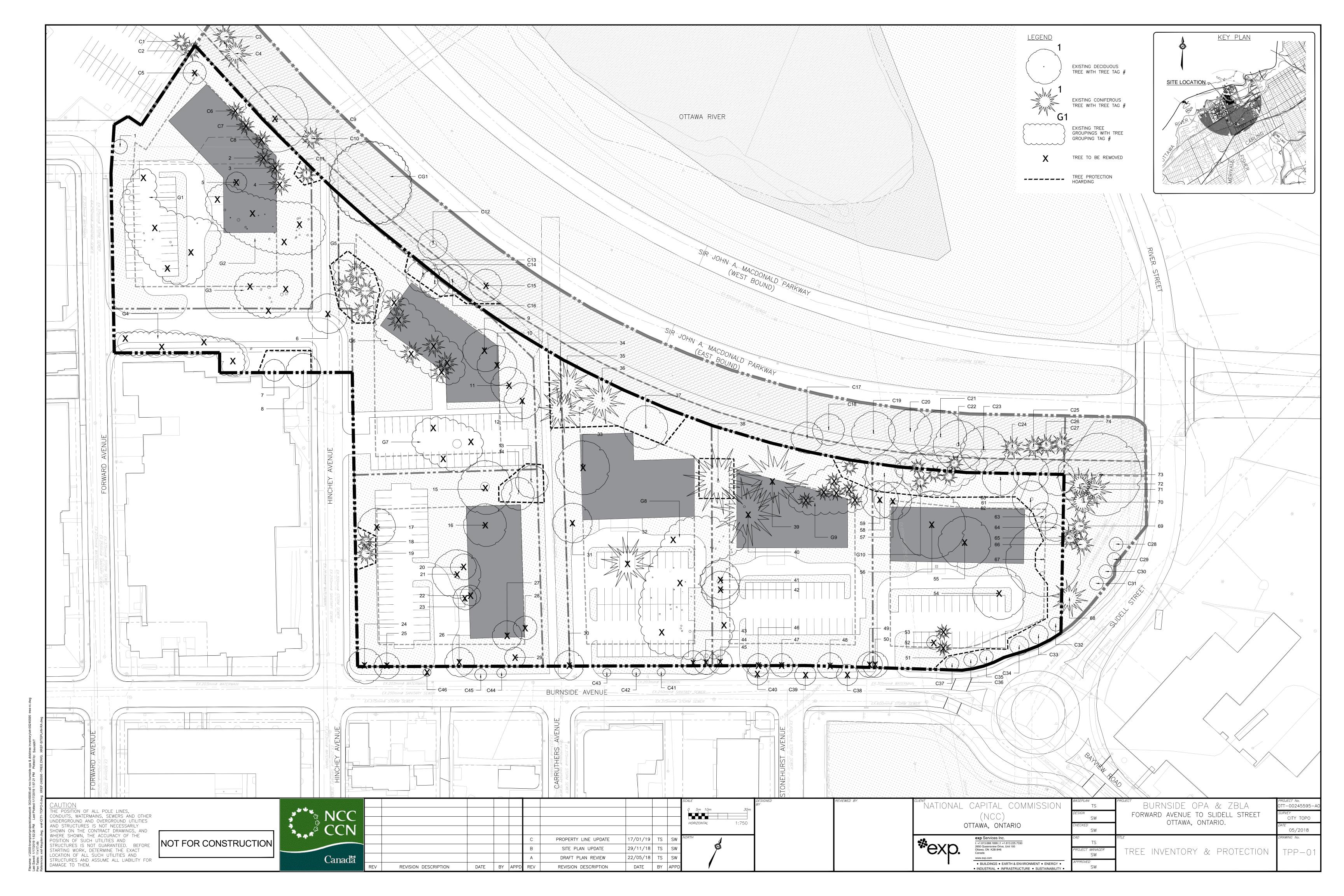
We trust that this demonstrates that the impact of the current development scenario on existing vegetation can be mitigated. Future site plans should be developed to minimise impacts on significant species and limit the cost of compensation planting.

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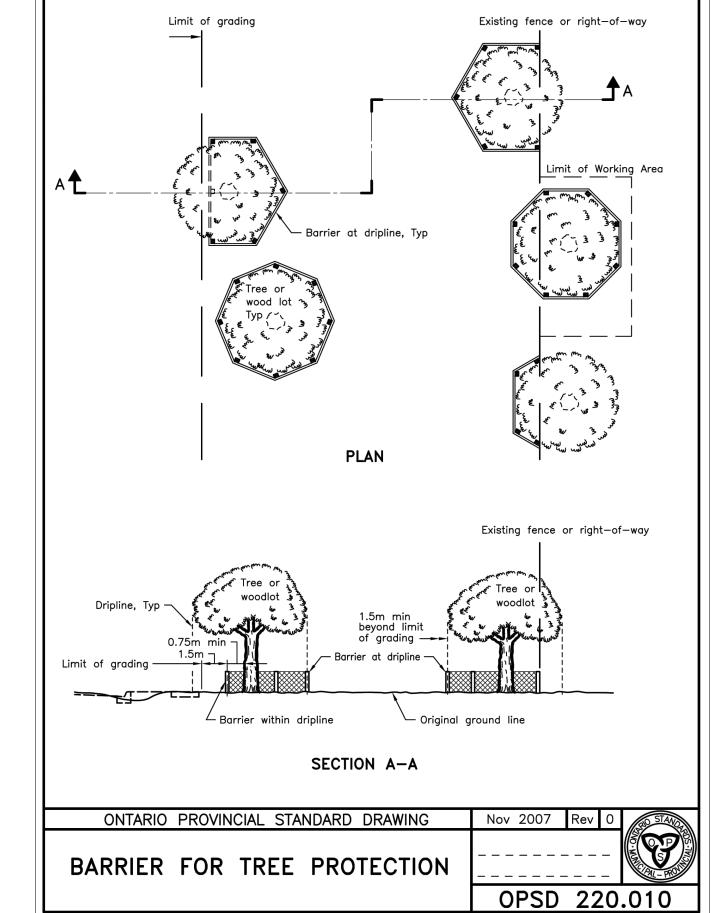
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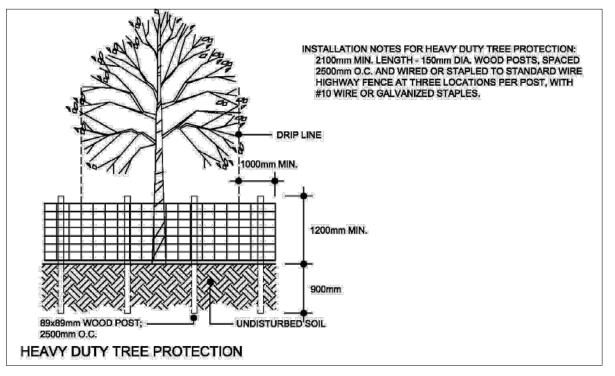




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	n Subject Property		quantity			7 00:011	
1 2	Acer negundo Pinus nigra	Manitoba Maple Austrian Pine	1 1	19 25	Fair Fair	Remain Remove	Site Construction
3	Pinus nigra	Austrian Pine	1	26	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
4 5	Pinus nigra Acer negundo	Austrian Pine Manitoba Maple	1 1	34 31, 31, 25	Fair Fair	Remove Remove	Site Construction
6	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	40, 36	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
7	Sorbus americana	Mountain Ash	1	13, 14, 16	Fair	Remain	
8 9	Acer negundo Acer saccharum	Manitoba Maple Sugar Maple	1 1	28, 32 52	Fair Fair	Remain Remove	Site Construction
10	Acer saccharum	Sugar Maple	1	41	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
11 12	Acer saccharum Acer saccharum	Sugar Maple Sugar Maple	1 1	38 40	Fair Fair	Remove Remove	Site Construction Site Construction
13	Tilia sp.	Linden	1	29	Fair	Remain	
14 15	Tilia sp. Acer negundo	Linden Manitoba Maple	1 1	20-35 (5 Stems) 24-45 (4 Stems)	Fair Fair	Remain Remove	Site Construction
16	Acer negundo Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	28,27	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
17	Quercus palustris	Pin Oak	1	42, 38	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
18 19	Thuja occidentalis Thuja occidentalis	White Cedar White Cedar	1 1	14-26 (5 Stems) 18-32 (6 Stems)	Fair Fair	Remain Remain	
20	Prunus sp.	Cherry	1	21	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
21 22	Acer negundo Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple Manitoba Maple	1 1	41 18	Fair Fair	Remove Remove	Site Construction
23	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	21	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
24	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	32	Poor	Remove	Poor Condition
25	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	26	Poor	Remove	Poor Condition Poor Condition /
26	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	14-38 (7 Stems)	Poor	Remove	Site Construction
27 28	Acer negundo Malus sylvestris	Manitoba Maple Crab apple	1 1	38, 34 14-17 (4 Stems)	Fair Fair	Remove Remove	Site Construction Site Construction
29	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	18, 18	Poor	Remove	Site Construction
30 31	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	32 49	Fair Fair	Remove	Site Construction
32	Acer saccharum Larix sp.	Sugar Maple Larch	1 1	49	Fair Fair	Remove Remove	Site Construction Site Construction
33	Quercus rubra	Red Oak	1	75	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
34 35	Pinus strobus Pinus strobus	White Pine White Pine	1 1	40 36	Good Good	Remain Remain	
36	Pinus strobus	White Pine	1	47	Good	Remain	
37	Quercus rubra	Red Oak	1	41	Fair	Remain	
38 39	Pinus strobus Pinus strobus	White Pine White Pine	1 1	46 38	Fair Fair	Remain Remove	Site Construction
40	Pinus strobus	White Pine	1	37	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
41	Salix sp.	Willow	1	85	Poor	Remove	Poor Condition / Site Construction
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43	Salix sp. Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	28, 24	Fair	Remove Remove	Site Construction
44	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	21, 14	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
45	Ulmus sp.	Elm	1	28	Fair	Remove	Site Construction Poor Condition /
46	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	28, 21	Poor	Remove	Site Construction Poor Condition /
47	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	33, 15	Poor	Remove	Site Construction
48	Ulmus sp.	Elm	1	26, 19	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
49	Fraxinus sp.	Ash	1	37	Dead	Remove	Poor Condition /
50	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	30, 17	Poor	Remove	Site Construction
51 52	Pinus nigra Celtis occidentalis	Austrian Pine Hackberry	1 1	18 11	Fair Fair	Remove Remove	Site Construction Site Construction
53	Picea pungens	Blue Spruce	1	13	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
54 55	Acer saccharinum Acer platanoides	Silver Maple Sugar Maple	1 1	12 48	Fair Fair	Remove Remove	Site Construction Site Construction
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60 61	Acer platanoides Acer platanoides	Sugar Maple Sugar Maple	1 1	47 45	Fair Fair	Remain Remain	
62	Acer platanoides	Sugar Maple	1	48	Fair	Remain	
63 64	Quercus rubra Quercus rubra	Red Oak Red Oak	1 1	39 43	Fair Fair	Remain Remain	
67	Acer saccharinum	Silver Maple	1	95	Fair	Remain	
75 C5	Acer platanoides	Sugar Maple	1 1	39 30, 25, 21	Fair Fair	Remain	Site Construction
C6	Acer negundo Pinus nigra	Manitoba Maple Austrian Pine	1	27	Fair	Remove Remove	Site Construction
C7	Pinus nigra	Austrian Pine	1	26	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
C8 C11	Pinus nigra Pinus nigra	Austrian Pine Austrian Pine	1 1	25 28	Fair Fair	Remove Remain	Site Construction
C13	Quercus palustris	Pin Oak	1	26, 23	Fair	Remain	
C14 C32	Acer saccharum Acer rubrum	Sugar Maple Red Maple	1 1	22, 28 10	Fair Fair	Remain Remain	
C32	Acer rubrum Acer rubrum	Red Maple	1	12	Fair	Remain	
C34	Acer rubrum	Red Maple	1	12	Fair	Remain	
C35 C36	Syringa reticulata 'Ivory Silk' Syringa reticulata 'Ivory Silk'	Ivory Silk Tree Ivory Silk Tree	1 1	8	Good Good	Remain Remain	
C37	Syringa reticulata 'Ivory Silk'	Ivory Silk Tree	1	8	Good	Remain	
Tree Groupi	ings within Subject Property						
G1	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	25 ±	15-35	Fair-Poor	Remove	Site Construction
G2 G3	Acer negundo Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple Manitoba Maple	35 ±	14-28 14-33	Fair-Poor Fair-Poor	Remove Remove	Site Construction Site Construction
G4	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	25	15-36	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
G5 G6	Pinus nigra	Austrian Pine	7	22-45 22-45	Fair Fair	Remain Remove	Site Construction
G6 G7	Pinus nigra Acer negundo	Austrian Pine Manitoba Maple	9	15-28	Fair Fair	Remove	Site Construction
G8	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	25 ±	12-28	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
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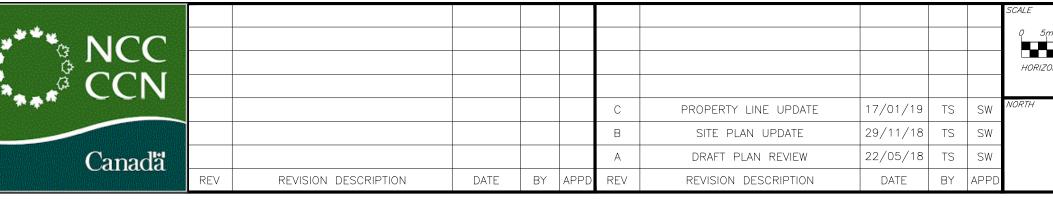
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68	Picea pungens	Blue Spruce	1	14	Fair	Remain	
69	Pinus sylvestris	Scott Pine	1	29	Fair	Remain	
70	Pinus sylvestris	Scott Pine	1	31	Fair	Remain	
71	Pinus sylvestris	Scott Pine	1	28	Fair	Remain	
72	Pinus sylvestris	Scott Pine	1	39	Fair	Remain	
73	Acer saccharinum	Silver Maple	1	105	Fair	Remain	
C1	Picea glauca	White Spruce	1	24	Fair	Remain	
C2	Picea glauca	White Spruce	1	31	Fair	Remain	
C3	Pinus nigra	Austrian Pine	1	34	Fair	Remain	
C4	Pinus nigra	Austrian Pine	1	45	Fair	Remain	
C9	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	115	Poor	Remove	Poor Condition
C10	Pinus nigra	Austrian Pine	1	25	Fair	Remain	
C12	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	12-25 (9 Stems)	Fair	Remain	
C15	Quercus palustris	Pin Oak	1	32	Poor	Remove	Poor Condition
C16	Acer saccharum	Sugar Maple	1	22, 22, 32	Fair	Remain	
C17	Acer saccharum	Sugar Maple	1	28	Fair	Remain	
C18	Acer saccharum	Sugar Maple	1	26	Fair	Remain	
C19	Acer platanoides	Norway Maple	1	35	Fair	Remain	
C20	Acer platanoides	Norway Maple	1	35	Fair	Remain	
C21	Acer platanoides	Norway Maple	1	48	Fair	Remain	
C22	Acer platanoides	Norway Maple	1	47	Fair	Remain	
C23	Acer platanoides	Norway Maple	1	42	Fair	Remain	
C24	Pinus sylvestris	Scott Pine	1	39	Fair	Remain	
C25	Pinus sylvestris	Scott Pine	1	27	Fair	Remain	
C26	Pinus nigra	Austrian Pine	1	38	Fair	Remain	
C27	Pinus nigra	Austrian Pine	1	34	Fair	Remain	
C28	Celtis occidentalis	Hackberry	1	13	Fair	Remain	
C29	Syringa reticulata 'Ivory Silk'	Ivory Silk Tree	1	9	Fair	Remain	
C30	Syringa reticulata 'Ivory Silk'	Ivory Silk Tree	1	8	Fair	Remain	
C31	Syringa reticulata 'Ivory Silk'	Ivory Silk Tree	1	6	Fair	Remain	
C38	Acer platanoides	Norway Maple	1	19	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
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C40	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	1	45	Poor	Remove	Site Construction
C41	Quercus bicolor	Swamp White Oak	1	5	Fair	Remain	
C42	Quercus bicolor	Swamp White Oak	1	4	Fair	Remain	
C43	Quercus bicolor	Swamp White Oak	1	5	Fair	Remain	
C44	Acer rubrum	Red Maple	1	5	Fair	Remain	
C45	Acer rubrum	Red Maple	1	6	Fair	Remain	
C46	Quercus bicolor	Swamp White Oak	1	4	Fair	Remove	Site Construction
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CG1	Populus sp.	Cottonwood	10	14-26	Fair	Remain	

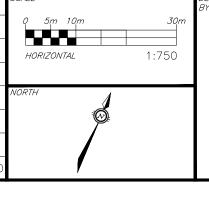




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