



# TREE CONSERVATION REPORT V3.0

2104 Roger Stevens Drive

Tree Conservation Report submitted as Partial  
Requirements for a Site Plan Control Application.

**Dendron Forestry Services**

April 15, 2025



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**Date of Report:** April 15, 2025

**Date of Site Visit:** July 23, 2024

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**Client:** Ottawa Sivan Temple c/o Kula Sellathurai; Kula.Sellathurai@cima.ca

**This Report must be read in its entirety, including the Assumptions and Limiting Conditions.**

### **Purpose of the Report**

This Tree Conservation Report (TCR) has been prepared for Kula Sellathurai from the Ottawa Sivan Temple. The objectives of this Report are:

- To describe all trees with diameters over 10 cm on the site, or groupings thereof, recording their species, size, and current health condition. This includes trees on adjacent private property 10 cm or greater in diameter, with critical root zones that extend onto the subject property. It also includes city trees of all sizes that may be impacted by the proposed development.
- To evaluate the impact of the trees by the proposed development and what the recommended action would be (retain and protect or remove)
- To provide recommendations on how to mitigate damage to retained trees during construction

*Update for version 3.0:* This report updates the previous version, dated February 21, 2025, with an updated grading plan provided by the client. Recommendations around tree protection and retention have not changed as a result of this update.

### **Methodology**

The following materials were reviewed as part of this report:

- Excerpted Environment and Forestry comments, received from client April 19, 2024
- Site plan by P<sup>2</sup> concepts, dated April 9, 2025
- Grading plan by D.B. Gray Engineering Inc., dated April 10, 2025
- GeoOttawa tree inventory layer and aerial photography
- Google© Street View imagery – various years

A site visit was conducted to collect the following information from each tree classified as protected under the City of Ottawa's Tree Protection By-law No. 2020-340:

- Diameter at breast height (1.3 m from grade)
- Species
- Tree health



### **Existing Site Conditions**

The site is currently occupied by a single building. There is a field at the rear of the property that is currently in hay – this field appears to have been cultivated since at least 1976 (according to aerial imagery on GeoOttawa). The client has indicated, and GeoOttawa confirms, that the majority of this field is zoned as a floodplain.

There is a cedar hedge at the northwest corner of the property with stems <10cm DBH, and 10-12 feet tall. The stems appear to be growing on the adjacent property.

Appendix A is an inventory of all trees that are protected under City of Ottawa Tree Protection By-law (2020-340) on the site. This includes private trees with a diameter at breast height (DBH) of 10 cm or greater, and city-owned trees of all sizes. It also includes trees with a DBH of 10 cm or greater on adjacent properties whose Critical Root Zone (CRZ) extend into the subject area. The CRZ is an area around the trunk with a radius equivalent to 10 times the diameter of the trunk. This does not take into account infrastructure such as buildings and asphalt and it assumes the tree has no restrictions on root growth.

No Butternut (*Juglans cinerea*) or black ash (*Fraxinus nigra*), both endangered species in Ontario, were discovered on site.



### **Proposed Development and Tree Preservation**

The level of activity on site will mean that tree protection in the northern half of the property will not be possible.

The grading for the proposed septic bed will likely necessitate removal of one or two stems of **Group 1** – the exact number can be determined once extent of excavation is marked in the field. To best protect the remainder of the stand, the extent of required excavation is to be marked in the field and fencing erected at that line. All roots along that line are to be revealed and cleanly severed by hand so that roots of the remaining trees are not torn. The required trees can then be removed. The fence should then remain in place during the remainder of site works. Past this fence, the following should apply:

- Do not change the grade
- Do not store construction material
- Do not operate machinery
- Do not convert to hard surface or change the landscaping
- Do not excavate unless it is a method that has been pre-approved by the City
- Do not place signs, notices or posters to any tree
- Do not damage the root system, trunk, or branches of any tree
- Direct the exhaust away from the tree

The tree protection fencing must be 1.2 m in height and constructed of a rigid or framed material (e.g. modulus – steel, plywood hoarding, or snow fence on a 2”X4” wood frame) with posts 2.4 m apart such that the fence location cannot be altered. All supports must be placed outside of the CRZ and installation must minimize damage to existing roots.



### **Tree Planting Recommendation**

Native species should be prioritized in landscape planting. Best management practices recommend 30m<sup>3</sup> of soil per tree planted, and while this may not be possible, maximizing soil volume per tree is highly recommended. Raised curb-style planters are recommended for hard surface plantings, and underplanting trees with shrubs can provide tree trunks with protection and nutrients.

### **Wildlife Impact**

Due to the surrounding landscape, it is possible wildlife pass through the subject property, and during the site visit a rabbit was seen in the south field. However, as the character of the site is not being changed dramatically, it is expected this development will have little impact on wildlife.

### **Tree Clearing and Migratory Birds**

Following the guidelines under the *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, 1994, removal of vegetation should be avoided during the nesting periods for migratory birds which extends from April 15 to as late as August 15<sup>th</sup>. If tree removal is required during this period, a nesting survey should be completed by a biologist within 5 days of tree removal to confirm that no nests are present.

The undersigned personally inspected the property and issues associated with this report on July 23, 2024. On Behalf of Dendron Forestry Services,

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**Appendix A: Tree Information**

Tree <sup>1,4</sup>	Species	DBH (cm)	Ownership <sup>2</sup>	Tree Condition	Forester recommendation
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<sup>1</sup> Please refer to the enclosed Tree Conservation Report map for tree numbers. Note that this map includes a tree layer added to the site plan (in pdf format) provided by the client. This layer includes only information about the trees and the original site plan is not altered in this process.

<sup>2</sup>Ownership of the tree in this report is based on the information provided and should not be used as a determination of ownership. For ownership disputes, a survey should be relied on. For boundary trees, consent from the adjacent property owner is required for removal as part of the application.

<sup>4</sup>The location of these trees was not provided and has been estimated

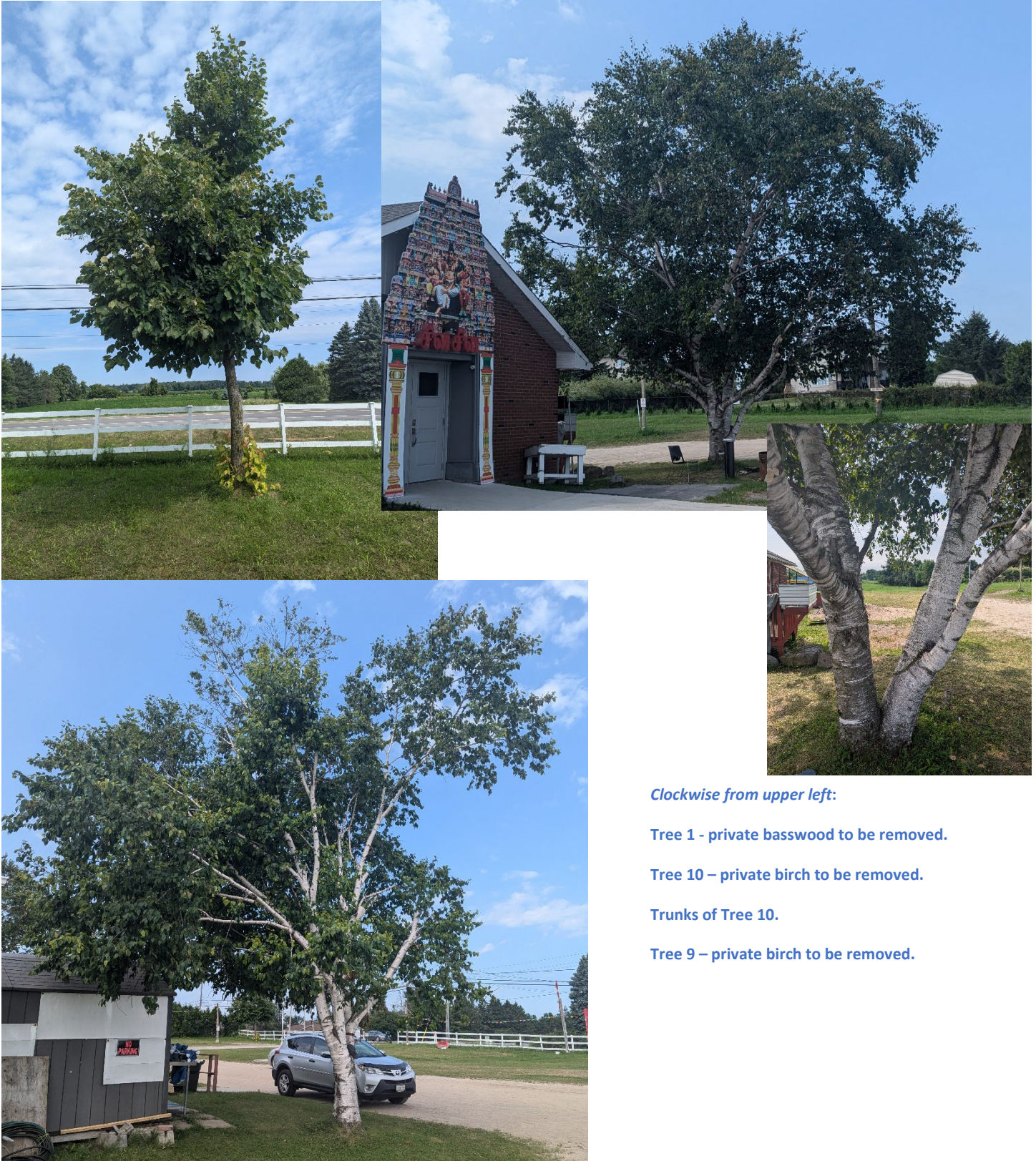


Map 1 - Existing vegetation





## Appendix B: Photographs



*Clockwise from upper left:*

Tree 1 - private basswood to be removed.

Tree 10 – private birch to be removed.

Trunks of Tree 10.

Tree 9 – private birch to be removed.





Above: Tree 2 - private ash to be removed.

Below: Group 1 - bur oaks, the majority of which are to be retained and protected.





## **Appendix C: Assumptions and Limiting Conditions**

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### **Limitations of this Report**

This Report is based on the circumstances and on-site conditions as they existed at the time of the site inspection and the information provided by the Client and/or third parties to Dendron. On-site conditions may limit the extent of the on-site inspection(s) conducted by Dendron, including weather events such as rain, flooding, storms, winds, tornados, snowfall, snow cover, hail; obstructions including fencing, dwellings, buildings, sheds, plants, and animals; lack of access to the entire perimeter of the tree due to adjacent properties; the shape of the tree; and accessibility of the tree crown, branches, trunk, or roots for examination.

In the event that information provided by the Client or any third parties, including but not limited to documents, records, site and grading plans, permits, or representations or any site conditions are updated or change following the completion of this Report, this Report is no longer current and valid and cannot be relied upon for the purpose for which it was prepared. Dendron and its agents, assessors, and/or employees are not liable for any damages, injuries, or losses arising from amendments, revisions, or changes to the documents, records, site and grading plans, permits, representations, or other information upon which Dendron relied in preparing this Report.

No assessment of any other trees or plants has been undertaken by Dendron. Dendron and its agents, assessors, and/or employees are not liable for any other trees or plants on or around the subject Property except those expressly identified herein. The results, observations, interpretations, analysis, recommendations, and conclusions contained within this Report apply only to the trees identified herein.

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- c) the accuracy of the Property line locations or boundaries with respect to the Property; and
- d) the accuracy of any other information provided to Dendron by the Client or third parties;
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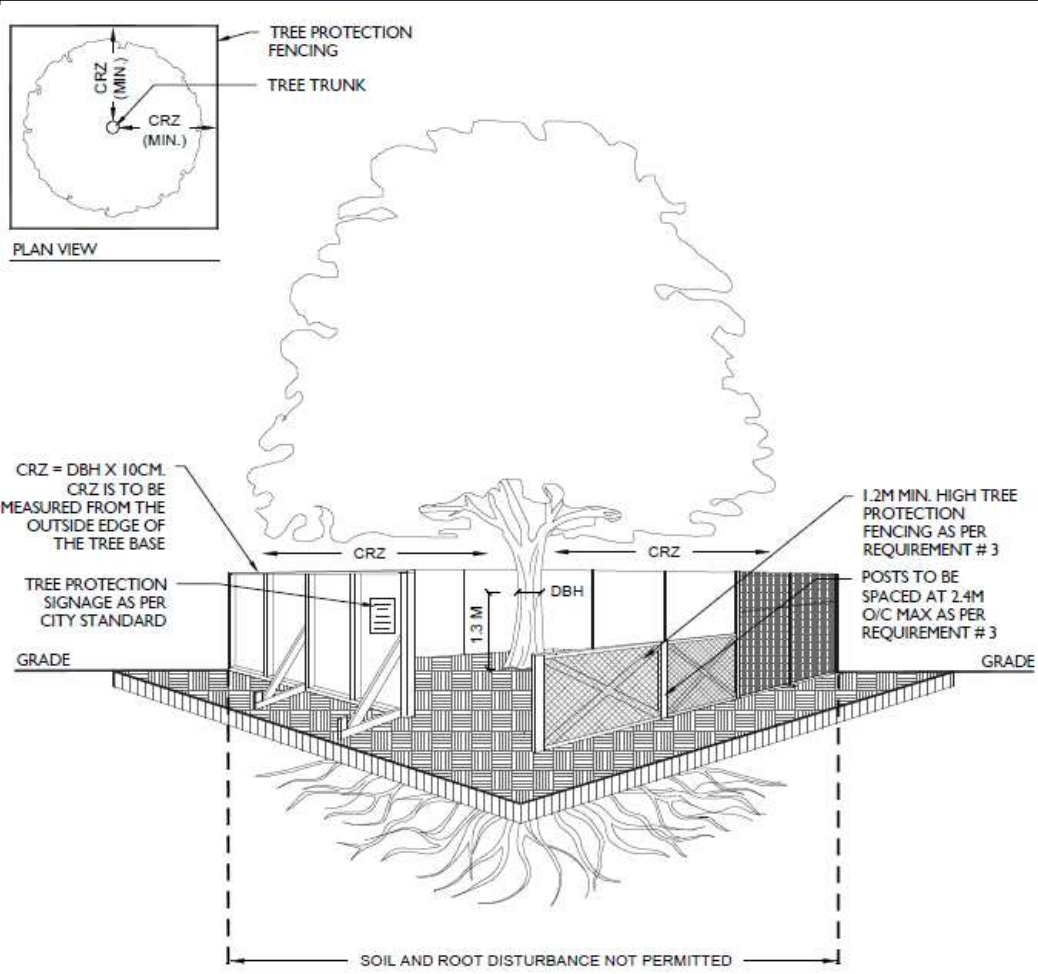
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**Note:** the tree layer has been added to the original base layer supplied by the client in pdf format. This layer refers to the trees only, and the original base has not been altered in the process, although it may be cropped. Refer to the original plan for details as quality is lost when importing the plan into the software used to create the tree layer.  
**Base Layer:** Grading plan by D.B. Gray Engineering Inc., dated April 10, 2025

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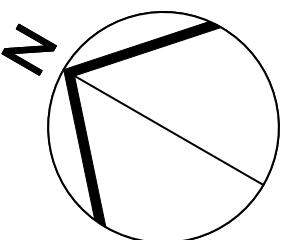
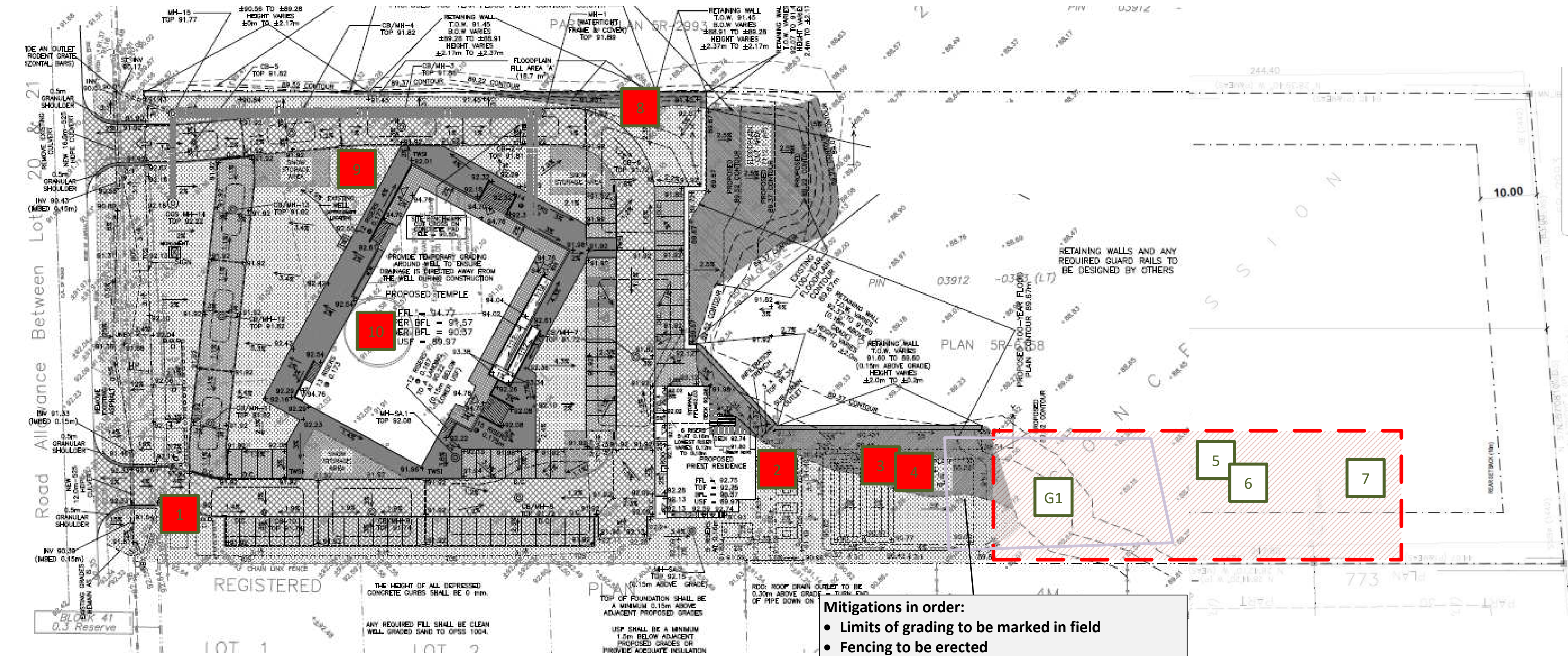


**Failure to install and maintain fencing as described in this report may result in fines from the city.**

- TREE PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS:**
- PRIOR TO ANY WORK ACTIVITY WITHIN THE CRITICAL ROOT ZONE (CRZ = 10 X DIAMETER) OF A TREE, TREE PROTECTION FENCING MUST BE INSTALLED SURROUNDING THE CRITICAL ROOT ZONE, AND REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL THE WORK IS COMPLETE.
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  - IF THE FENCED TREE PROTECTION AREA MUST BE REDUCED TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION, MITIGATION MEASURES MUST BE PRESCRIBED BY AN ARBORIST AND APPROVED BY CITY FORESTRY STAFF. THESE MAY INCLUDE THE PLACEMENT OF PLYWOOD, WOOD CHIPS, OR STEEL PLATING OVER THE ROOTS FOR PROTECTION OR THE PROPER PRUNING AND CARE OF ROOTS WHERE ENCOUNTERED.
- THE CITY'S TREE PROTECTION BY-LAW, 2020-340 PROTECTS BOTH CITY-OWNED TREES, CITY-WIDE, AND PRIVATELY-OWNED TREES WITHIN THE URBAN AREA. PLEASE REFER TO [WWW.OTTAWA.CA/TREEBYLAW](http://WWW.OTTAWA.CA/TREEBYLAW) FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW THE TREE BY-LAW APPLIES.

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**Legend**

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