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March 5, 2015

Phil Brown New Hampshire Audubon 84 Silk Farm Road Concord, NH 03301

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Dear Mr. Brown:

I have reviewed your request for a variance from the provisions of RSA 227-J:9 to remove more than 50 percent of the basal area along Silk Farm Road on the St. Paul's School property managed by New Hampshire Audubon in Concord, New Hampshire.

Based upon the information provided in your request dated March 2, 2015, and our on-site inspection today as well as recommendations by Forest Health Specialist Kyle Lombard, your request to remove all of the ash trees in this area due to an emerald ash borer insect infestation is granted.

Additional permits may be required by other State or local agencies. In addition, RSA 227-J:10 requires that the slash from any harvesting or cutting activity cannot remain:

- i. In any stream, river, or brook which normally flows throughout the year or in any other standing body of water, public highway, or active railroad bed.
- ii. On the property of another, or in a cemetery.
- Within 25 feet of land of another, or fourth order stream. iii.
- Within 50 feet of any great pond, any standing body of water 10 acres or more in area, public highway, or active iv. railroad bed.
- Within 100 feet of any occupied structure as defined in RSA 635:1, III, including all barns, sheds, and other storage ٧. buildings, except a temporary lumber camp.
- Disposal of slash and mill residue shall be in such manner that it is disposed of within the area between 50 feet and ٧i. 150 feet of any great pond, standing body of water 10 acres or more in area, or public highway so it lies on the ground and no part of the slash or residue extends more than 4 feet above the ground.
- vii. If more than one of the limitations in paragraphs I-VI on the disposal of slash and mill residue shall be applicable, the most restrictive shall control.

If you have any questions, you can contact me or our local forest ranger through our Concord office at 271-2214.

Sincerely,

William T. Guinn, Regional Forester

Forest Management Bureau

Enclosure

cc: Concord City Council and Conservation Commission Doug Miner, Forest Ranger

Kyle Lombard, Forest Health Specialist

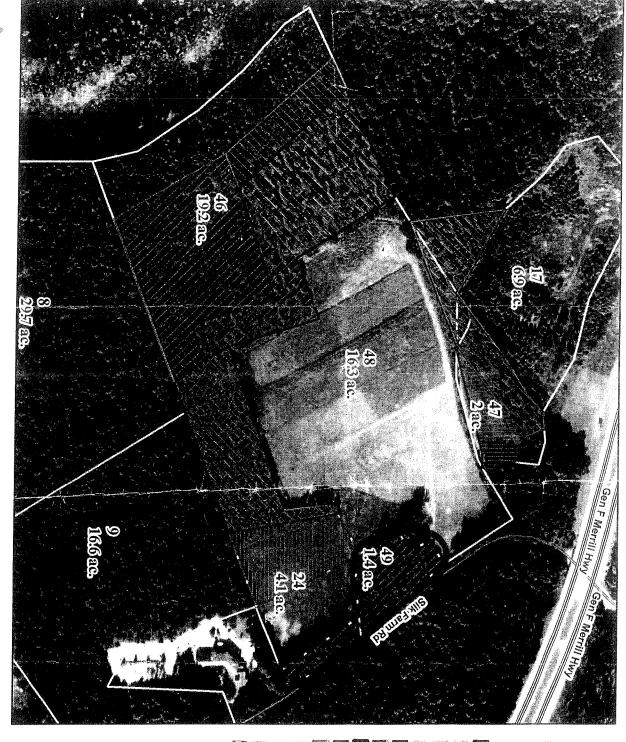


Conservation Plan Map

Date: 8/11/2014 Field Office: CONCORD SERVICE CENTER

Assisted By: CHRISTOPHER POWLES

Approximate Acres: 114.5 Legal Description: F: 795 T: 328



Legend

Practices (polygons)

Practice Note, Planned date

Biomass Harvesting, 3/1/2015

Brush Mgmt., 8/1/2015

Brush Mgmt., 8/1/2016

Brush Mgmt., 8/1/2017

Excavator Mower- Difficult, 8/1/2015

Excavator Mower- Difficult, 8/1/2016

Organic mechanical site prep, 8/1/2015 Excavator Mower- Difficult, 8/1/2017

Organic mechanical site prep, 8/1/2016 Pollinator Planting, 5/1/2016

Pollinator Planting, 5/1/2017

Tree/Shrub Establishment, 8/1/2016 Tree/Shrub Establishment, 8/1/2015

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