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Selectboard Chair
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Dear Selectboard Chair

In a letter sent in December 5, 2016, you received notification that National Grid would carry out late winter-spring mechanical control, cut surface (CST) or basal treatment; a summer selective foliage treatment; and, as necessary, summer and fall CST and basal treatments on rights-of-way, which pass through your municipality.

Information on National Grid's approved Yearly Operational Plan (YOP) and maps showing the rights-of-way to be treated were included with that letter.

The current Vegetation Management Plan (VMP) and approved 2017 YOP are posted at the following websites (hard copies available upon request):

http://www.nationalgridus.com/non_html/National%20Grid%20VMP%202014%20-%202018.pdf

https://www9.nationalgridus.com/non_html/2017%20YOP.pdf

Although you already received and reviewed copies of the YOP map(s) with the original notification please let us know if there are any additional *sensitive areas* located on or near the rights-of-way. Please advise us as soon as possible so we can establish permanent records and implement appropriate field protective actions. We particularly rely on this process to collect corrections to the public wells and to record the location of private wells.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts recommended herbicides for use in *sensitive areas* listed in Section 7 (pages 13-15) of the YOP will be selectively applied to target vegetation by experienced, Massachusetts' licensed/certified applicators that walk along the rights-of-way using backpack equipment. Copies of the manufacturers' herbicide labels and fact sheets are also included in the YOP, Appendices 8 and 9.

Treatment Periods*

| January 30, 2017 – May 31, 2017 | May 31, 2016 - October 15, 2017 | October 15, 2017 – December 31, 2017 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| CST | Foliar | CST |
| Basal | CST | Basal |
| | Basal | |

* The exact treatment dates are dependent upon weather conditions and field crew progress.