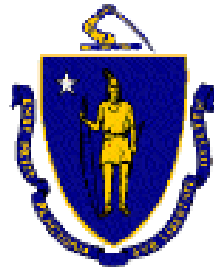




DCR Project Shade

Constitution Beach

Public Meeting
June 2, 2025



Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Governor

Maura Healey

Lieutenant Governor

Kim Driscoll

Energy and Environmental Secretary

Rebecca L. Tepper

Department of Conservation and Recreation Commissioner

Brian Arrigo



DCR Mission Statement

*To protect, promote, and enhance our
common wealth of natural, cultural
and recreational resources
for the well-being of all.*

- You will have the opportunity to submit comments over the course of the next two weeks at:
 - DCR Public Comments
<https://www.mass.gov/forms/dcr-public-comments>
- Two ways to ask questions during the meeting
 - Use chat feature
 - Raise your hand using the Zoom function, and you will be given permission to unmute and speak.

Please note that this public meeting will be recorded; the recording will be a public record.

Agenda

- Introduce the Project Team (DCR)
- Introduce Project Shade (DCR)
- Concept Shade Plan (BETA)
- Discussion

Department of Conservation and Recreation

Ginna Johnson, PLA, Project Manager

Sarah White, Dir. Office of Climate Resilience

Celeste De Palma, Climate Resilience Program Coordinator

Daniel Cushing, Director, Public Engagement

BETA Group, Inc.

Scott Ridder, PLA, Project Manager

Alyssa Gomes, PLA, Landscape Architect

VISION STATEMENT

To create a network of resilient and shaded gathering places across Commonwealth parks that provide safe, comfortable, and equitable outdoor spaces for all, especially vulnerable communities, during extreme heat events.



Constitution Beach - Existing Aerial

Aerial Imagery: Nearmap



Constitution Beach - Existing Park Elements



Existing Bench Shelters



Existing Picnic Tables and Trees



Tree Eastie Tree Planting



Site Furnishings



Paved asphalt walk



Cedar rail fence



Hammock posts



Picnic table

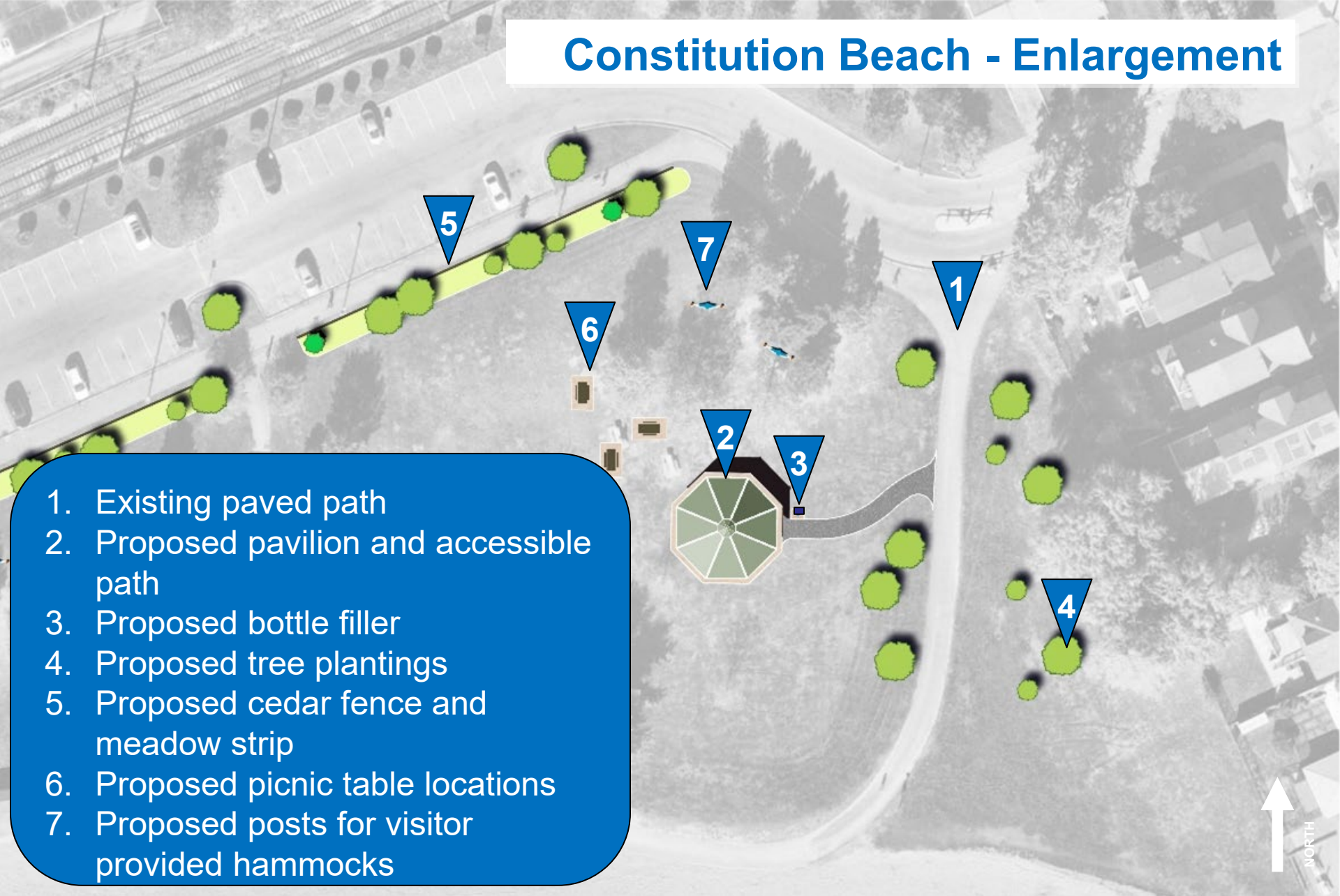


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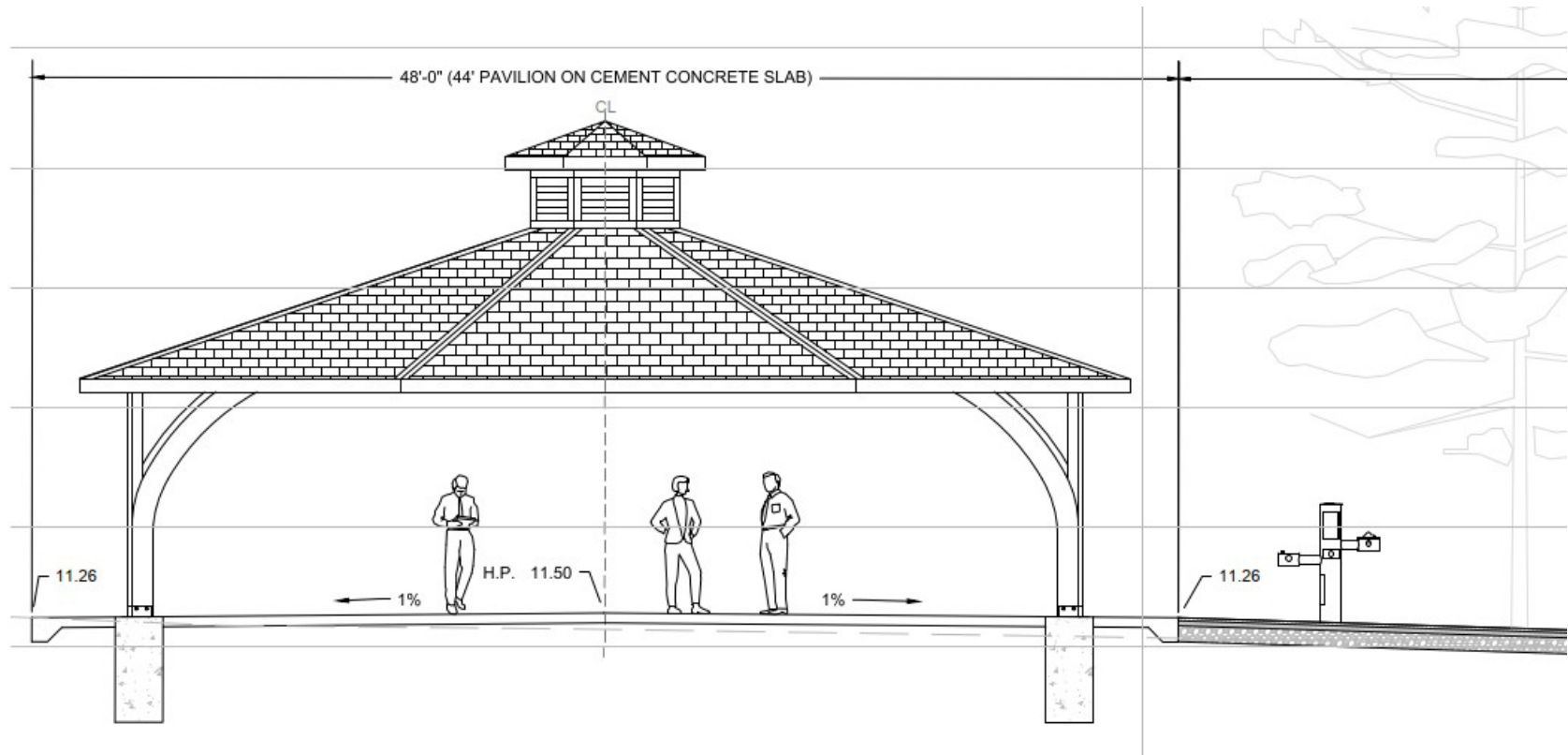
Constitution Beach - Overall Plan

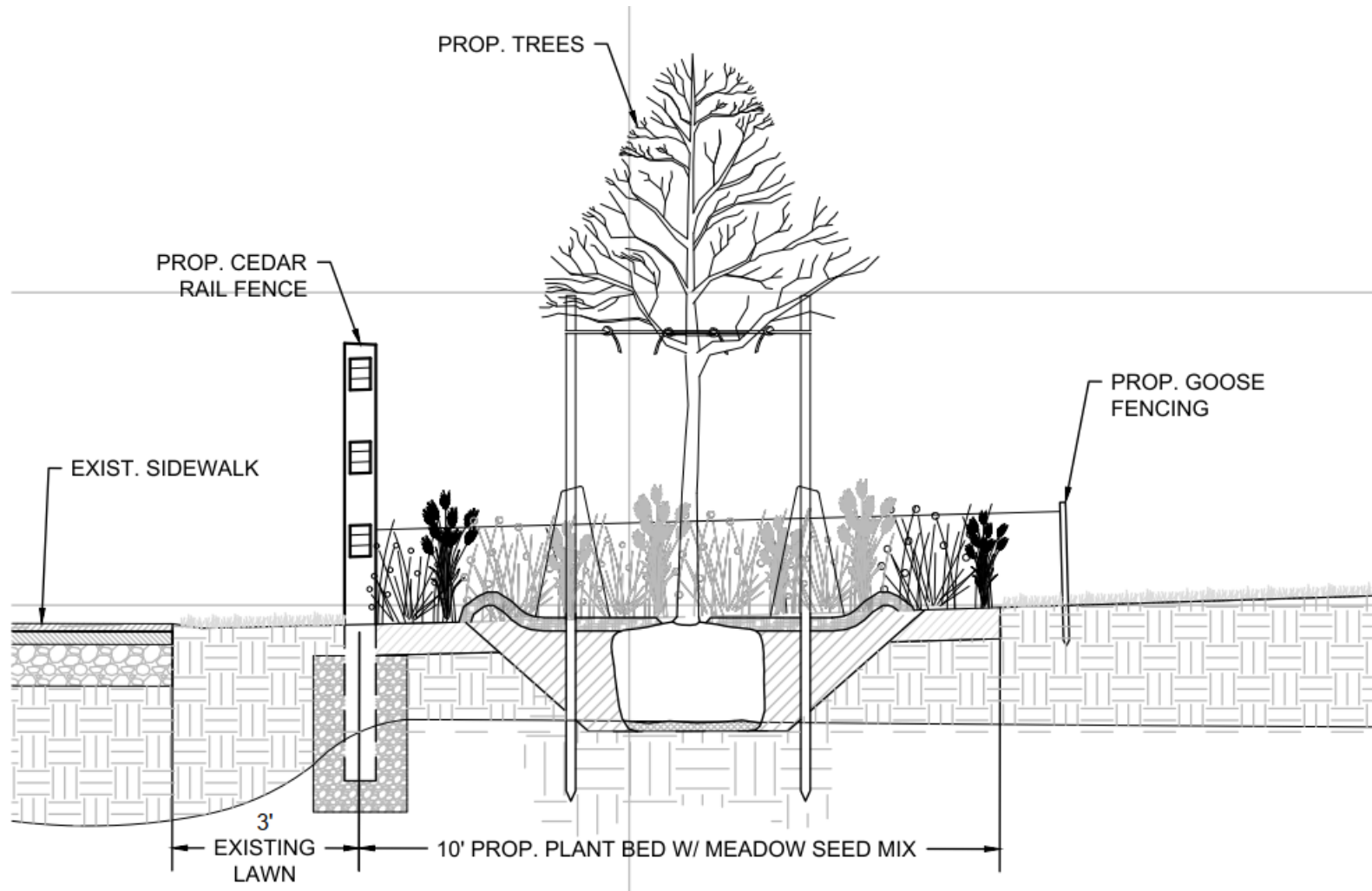


Constitution Beach - Enlargement



Shade Structure





Heritage River Birch



Thornless Honey Locust



Tree Plantings

Common Hackberry



American Elm



Red Cedar



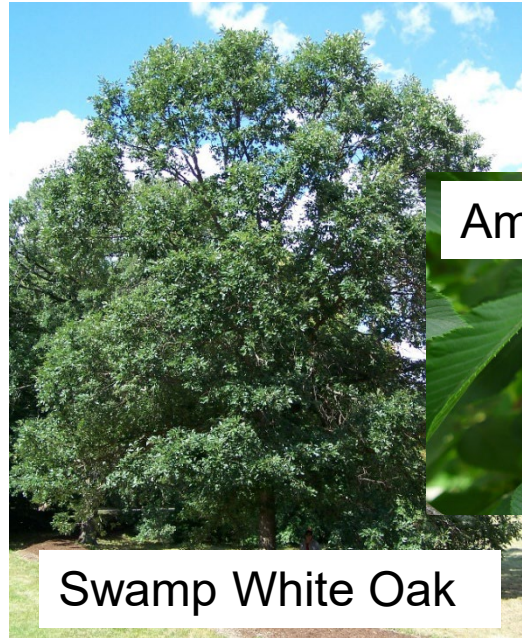
Tupelo



American Hornbeam



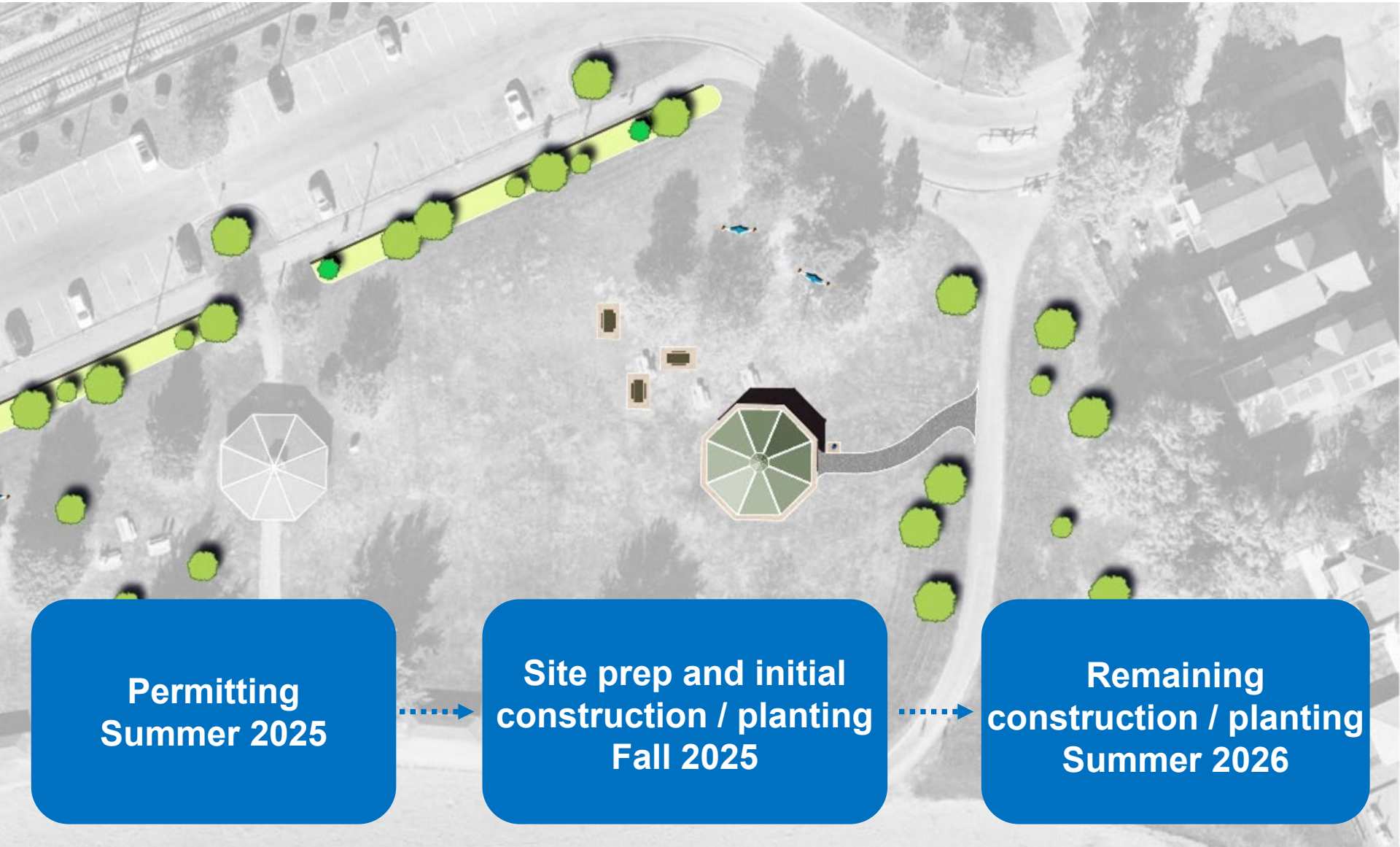
Swamp White Oak



American Linden



Next Steps



Discussion



- Questions about Project Shade?
- Do you have any concerns?
- Comments?
- What do you like about this park?

Additional Information

- Recording and tonight's slide deck will be available at:
 - www.mass.gov/dcr/past-public-meetings
- If you have comments on this project:
 - *Submit online:* www.mass.gov/dcr/public-comment
 - *Deadline:* **Tuesday, June 16, 2025**

Please note: the contents of comments submitted to DCR, including your name, town and zip code, will be posted on DCR's website. Additional contact information provided, notably email address, will only be used for outreach on future updates to the subject project or property.

- If you wish to subscribe to a DCR general information or project-related listserv: contact DCR's Office of Community Relations via email at mass.parks@mass.gov



Thank You