

# Department of Conservation and Recreation Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**MacDonald Park Tree Planting Project**

**Public Listening Session**

**Tuesday, June 4th 6pm-7:30pm**

**Register by following** [**this link**](https://zoom.us/meeting/register/v5Qlc-qvrD4tG92GaTEw3_syvu3LRGtEKLm0)**.**

DCR is updating the Macdonald Park Vegetation Management Plan from 2017, with several goals:

* Tree planting of over 200 new and replacement trees (two dozen or more cottonwood trees reached the end of their life span, and over one hundred ash trees have succumbed to the Emerald Ash Borer); to achieve species diversity; to provide more shade for park users; to provide enhanced wildlife habitat;
* Increasing pollinator habitat
* Managing invasive species
* Promote health of the landscape
* Create volunteer opportunities, through DCR and our partner organization in this effort, the Mystic River Watershed Association (MyRWA)

The public will be invited to ask questions and provide feedback on the presentation, using the Q&A functionality that will be available through the virtual participation platform. After the meeting, the presentation will be available for viewing at [https://www.mass.gov/dcr/past-public-meetings.](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.mass.gov_dcr_past-2Dpublic-2Dmeetings&d=DwMGaQ&c=euGZstcaTDllvimEN8b7jXrwqOf-v5A_CdpgnVfiiMM&r=49SKs-Yzn_evRnA3jS-d8DHIhL2zuEVbOmnOVRE2wEI&m=NZiNJTAFIBoqM0R6PX2cD5DudpwsN11FEoIdx_9vCwE&s=_8nfO4aAKB48yPl4G5_fs98r4aP-rULtfyqJn1lg0gw&e)DCR encourages the public to share additional feedback, with a deadline for receipt of comments by DCR of June 18th. Comments may be submitted online at <http://www.mass.gov/dcr/public-comment>. Please note that the content of comments you submit to DCR, along with your name, town, and zip code, will be posted on DCR's website. Additional contact information required when commenting, notably email address, will only be used for outreach on future updates on the subject project or property.

If you have agency-related questions or concerns or would like to be added to an email list to receive DCR general or project-specific announcements, please email [Mass.Parks@mass.gov](mailto:Mass.Parks@mass.gov%20) or call 617-626-4973.

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