

The following questions came up at the non-mandatory pre bid meeting held on 9/4/26. Answers provided in **RED** below each issue:

- Narrative about south side cleanup for 2B & 3B
 - **Attached**
- All documentation for the DOT permit (including herbicide authorization)
 - **Approved herbicide is already in the bid specifications. The November 2025 DOT Encroachment Permit is attached.**
 - **Since we never got around to this project last year and the permit is about to expire, the winning bidder will be required to acquire their own Encroachment Permit.**
- Clarification on handling of Japanese knotweed
 - **Knotweed does not need to be cut, we are soliciting an Invasive Management RFQ which will take care of this.**
 - **If you need to cut some to get at some woody vegetation, then it's okay to knock down what you need, in order to do your work, but the stands do not need to be cut/removed.**
- Clarification on Traffic Controls
 - Reimbursement was discussed
 - **If parked on Main Street you will not need Traffic Controls.**
 - **If working from Main Street which in any reasonable way would divert the attention of drivers, then you would need Traffic Controls.**
 - **The winning bidder shall provide MUTCD compliant traffic patterns.**
 - **Probably the best way to handle this would be to assume Traffic Controls are needed for each workday and for the days that it's not needed or PD cannot accommodate, those days shall be deducted from the cost.**

Additionally, an email came in with a question that has been answer by Jim separately and should be made part of this Addendum #2 for the bid:

Q: Just to confirm, there is no mechanical brush mowing or machine cutting with grapple saw permitted for this maintenance work?

A: Means and methods are up to you. We only require a clean cut so it can be dabbed with herbicide. Shredded/jagged cuts and broad spraying of herbicide is not acceptable.

Riverbank Cleanup

South Side of river from Pedestrian Bridge to 10 Bridge Street (back building)

Even though most of the big trees are Black Locust & Norway Maples, they are going to remain unless they are in poor condition.

Leave all healthy good looking native trees.

Remove all dead trees, standing and on the ground.

Remove all unhealthy native trees.

Remove all trees under 8" except healthy good looking native trees.

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TOWN WINCHESTER	ROUTE NO 44	PMT 2B-REV 8/00 (302-06-0386) DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BUREAU OF HIGHWAY OPERATIONS STATE OF CONNECTICUT ENCROACHMENT PERMIT	DATE OF ISSUE 10/22/2025	PERMIT NO 4023598 Page 1 of 3
NAME OF HIGHWAY Main Street			DATE EFFECTIVE 10/22/2025	
LOCATION OF WORK OR BEGINNING AND ENDING POINTS Main Street from Route 263 to Case Avenue along Madd River			DATE OF EXPIRATION 10/22/2026	AMT. OF SURETY BOND CERTIFY CHECK
			SURETY COMPANY/BANK	
TO: TOWN OF WINSTED 338 MAIN STREET WINSTED, CT 06098			BOND NUMBER: PERMIT IS NOT VALID UNTIL SIGNATURE COPY IS SIGNED AND RETURNED TO THE OFFICE PLEASE RETURN AT ONCE. FEE: N/A DATE REC'D 10/22/2025 POWOW NO.	

Permission is hereby granted to do the following work under the control and direction of the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Engineering and Highway Operations at the location designated hereon, subject to the statements made on the application for permit, and to the pertinent provisions of the current Highway Encroachment Permit Regulations manual, including amendments thereto.

This permit does not become effective until all necessary local and State licenses and permits are obtained by the Permittee or designated agent, and further the Permittee shall be subject to all Federal, State and local regulations.

This permit is issued in strict compliance with, but not limited by, the following specific requirements, referenced attachments, and the current edition of Department of Transportation's Standard Specifications for Roads, Bridges and Incidental Construction as applicable.

The Department of Transportation Permit Inspector, Steve Geddes 203-591-3624, MUST BE NOTIFIED AND THE CALL BEFORE YOU DIG REQUEST NUMBER RECORDED 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF STARTING WORK ON THE PROJECT. REQUEST NO. _____

Permission is granted to work within the highway right of way for the purpose of performing brush removal, tree trimming, and tree removals as delineated on the permit application received on 10/22/2025 All work shall be in accordance with the current publication of the Department of Transportation "Standard Specifications for Roads, Bridges, and Incidental Construction", the Office of Maintenance "Guidelines for Tree Maintenance and Removal," the latest Department Standard Details, and the following stipulations:

- Before starting any work, the District Vegetation Management Specialist (Specialist) must be notified. This notification shall be made 48 hours in advance of starting any site-work. On-site inspection may be conducted at any phase of the work by the Specialist or an authorized representative. A copy of the authorized encroachment permit is to be available for review on-site at all times of the work. The Specialist contacts are as follows:

District 1 – Nicholas Supina; nicholas.supina@ct.gov; c – 860-805-5894
 District 2 – Greg Gallup; gregory.gallup@ct.gov; c – 860-213-1039
 District 3 – Aaron Woronecki; aaron.woronecki@ct.gov; c – 860-324-8310
 District 4 – Steve Geddes; steve.geddes@ct.gov; c – 203-808-2981

**If the Specialist is not notified, the encroachment permit will be null and void.

- Vehicular and pedestrian traffic must be adequately protected through the use of appropriate traffic control patterns. Uniformed police officers or personnel who are certified for traffic control to a level equivalent to the National Safety Council shall be utilized to direct traffic through the work area. All traffic control signing and appurtenances shall be in accordance with the latest edition of the "Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices", must meet NCHRP 350 and the Connecticut Department of Transportation Office of Construction Work Zone guidebook requirements. All signs must be in place before work commences. The Permittee is responsible for traffic control at all times of the work.

- No work will be permitted within the right of way before 9:00 a.m. and after 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; no evenings, weekends, or holidays are permitted unless approved by the District Maintenance Director.

The Permit Inspector must be notified upon completion of work for final inspection and approval.

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Any and all liability for injury, damage or loss resulting from such work as may be undertaken under the terms of this permit is assumed by the Permittee. The Permittee is hereby designated responsible for all future maintenance of all installations or encroachments constructed under this Permit, which in the sole judgement of the State are not part of the highway appurtenances normally maintained by the State.

The Permittee hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State of Connecticut for any and all such injury, damage, or loss that may be incurred, either directly, or as a result of said work, and to reimburse the Department of Transportation for any expenses incurred due to the performance of any such work undertaken under the terms of this permit.

This permit is revocable at the discretion of the Department of Transportation Commissioner or designated representative.

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- Holiday Restrictions: No permit work within the highway right of way will be permitted the day before a legal holiday and no work shall be resumed until 12:00 noon the day following the holiday, unless otherwise approved or indicated. Weekends shall be considered as part of the holiday when the legal holiday falls on either Friday or Monday.
- In accordance with Section 13a-140 of the Connecticut General Statutes, Removal of Trees Along State Highways Penalties Established by Municipalities: removal of trees with a breast height diameter of 18 inches or greater requires written notification to the chief elected official of each town wherein such trees stand. Notification must identify the tree or trees by species, size, location, and condition. A COPY OF THIS NOTIFICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE DISTRICT PERMITS OFFICE TO BE ATTACHED TO THE PERMIT. Requirements of this permit are subject to change as field conditions warrant.
- This work will be limited to the selective pruning and/or removal of brush and trees as designated by the Specialist. All vegetation must be flush cut at grade angle and all resulting vegetative debris shall be removed from the site, including all roadside watercourses, within ten (10) days, and the site left with a neat appearance satisfactory to the District permit inspector. Roadside litter or debris that is left exposed due to tree pruning or removals shall be removed by the contractor.
- All work shall be performed by a licensed arborist qualified to perform arboriculture within the State of Connecticut under Connecticut General Statutes Section 23-61b, Licensing for Arboriculture; Examination; Fees; Renewal; Suspension; Revocation, Nonresidents, Records, Pesticides, and as directed by the Specialist.
- Tree limbs will be cut to branch collar.
- Any damage incurred to the non-access fence shall be replaced or repaired by the contractor.
- Any work to be performed on Scenic Roads requires special consideration and prior approval of the Scenic Roads Committee.
- Unless previously agreed upon, access to the work site will be attained from private property.
- All liability is assumed by the permittee. All areas disturbed as a result of this operation will be restored to the equivalency of their original condition or better at permittee's expense. The permittee will be billed in full by the Department for engineering and replacement costs of any area or appurtenances disturbed or destroyed by the permitted operations.
- The Department reserves the right to require the permittee to reimburse the State for all expenses incurred in connection with this permit including but not necessarily limited to inspection, State-owned equipment, supplies, etc. as outlined under regulation 13b-17-11.
- Requirements of the permit are subject to change as field condition warrant. Any change will require a review and prior approval by the District Office.
- Working in Regulated Areas: Under our General Permits vegetation management is not an activity that CTDEEP considers impact. Accessing regulated areas on foot and using hand tools is not considered impact. The use of low ground pressure machinery or machinery on ground protection mats in wetlands to accomplish this is an activity that CTDEEP considers temporary impact. The encroachment permit, Permit 2B is the instrument which allows this work to occur in our ROW subject to the conditions of the permit. All proposed work in or adjacent to a regulated areas must be reviewed and approved by the department.

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• Insurance Expiration: Prior to the insurance expiration date, the permittee must submit an updated Certificate of Insurance to document appropriate continuing insurance coverage. SG/cf				
PERMITTEE'S SIGNATURE <i>Jim Rollins</i> <i>J. Rollins</i>		DATE 11/17/2025	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BUREAU OF HIGHWAY OPERATIONS BY Stephen P. Moran DISTRICT MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR	