

**RE: [EXTERNAL] Riverside Park**

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Hi all,

I have the following comments/responses

#3) I would recommend the New England Conservation/Wildlife mix – **The New England Conservation/Wildlife Mix provides a permanent cover of grasses, wildflowers, and legumes. For both good erosion control and wildlife habitat value. The mix is designed to be a no maintenance seeding, and is appropriate for cut and fill slopes, detention basin side slopes, and disturbed areas adjacent to commercial and residential projects.**

As you can see from the description this is also good for disturbed areas and it includes wildflowers as well

# 5) Where is the osprey pole proposed? Normally we don't require approval for these provided any spoils from installing the pole are removed from the site and only minimal vegetation is removed (just enough to get the pole in)

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Hi – I copied Sarah as she was not on the other email. My additions/questions are in purple below

Sarah – please see #s 3 and 5

**Michele Paul, LSP**

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Hi Maura,  
 I have answered those questions that I can. Michele and Val can help with the others. Good luck with the grants. Let me know if you need anything else.  
 Mary



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Hi Mary,  
 I'm working on the MDAR grant and the River Network grant as well. The River Network grant we're going to apply for will be a joint application with Groundwork Lawrence.  
 At this time the maximum request is \$25k so, that means if awarded we're looking at \$12k max. Could you send me any up-to-date information regarding the river bank part of the project, details about when the riverwalk is beginning construction, etc.?  
 Questions I know to ask:

1. Are the invasive trees coming down? **Yes, it is our intention to remove all invasive vegetation along the north bank.**
2. Is the city still going to be able to cover the goat costs? **How much are the goat costs?**
3. after the goats Green Team would remove additional invasives and then plant native plants or seeds? (Do we have an up-to-date planting plan with estimate costs) **Sarah, please advise. I was thinking the restoration seed mix from New England Wetland Plants.**
4. Has Sarah been able to get the certifications, etc. in place to start this project if we're awarded funding? **The project will be reviewed at the next Conservation Commission meeting on June 16 for approval.**
5. Any issues with installing the osprey nesting platform more or less immediately? **Sarah – will this be part of the Con Com review?**
6. With Val's background could he provide some education/ info sessions to the Green Team as a portion of the educational component? **Good idea. We can arrange this.**

Its due on the 10th and I have to dovetail our project with GWL.

Thank you,  
Maura

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