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WALPOLE SELECT BOARD

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HERBICIDE USE NOTIFICATION (MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION)

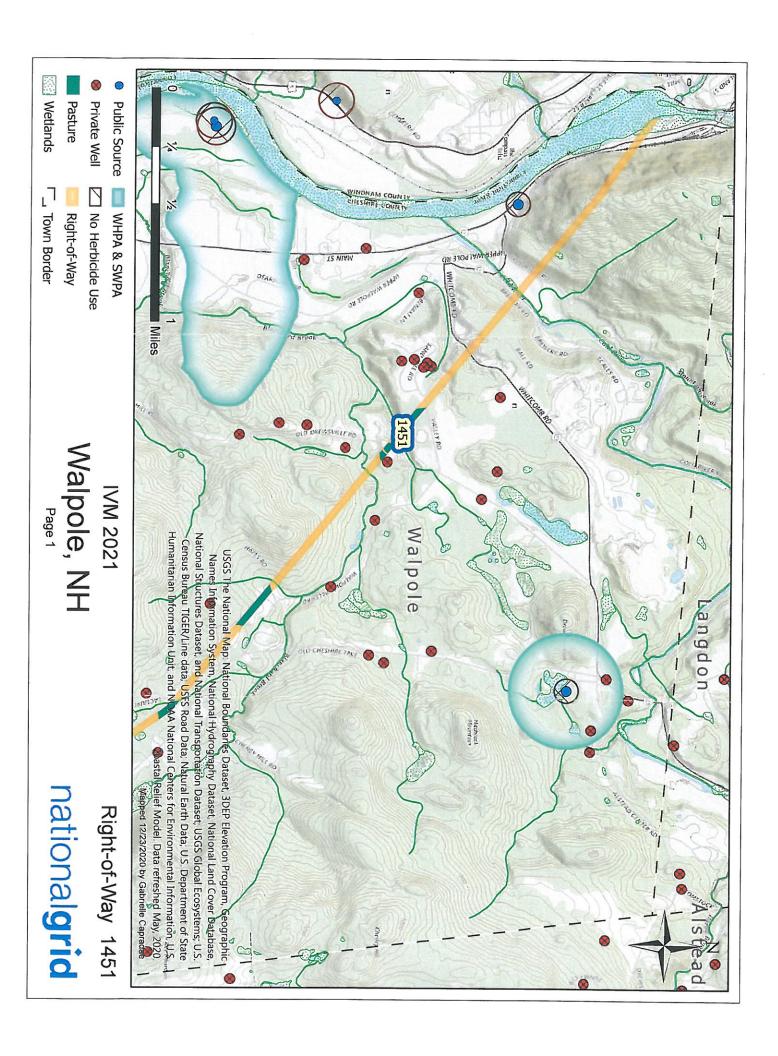
Dear Selectboard Chair:

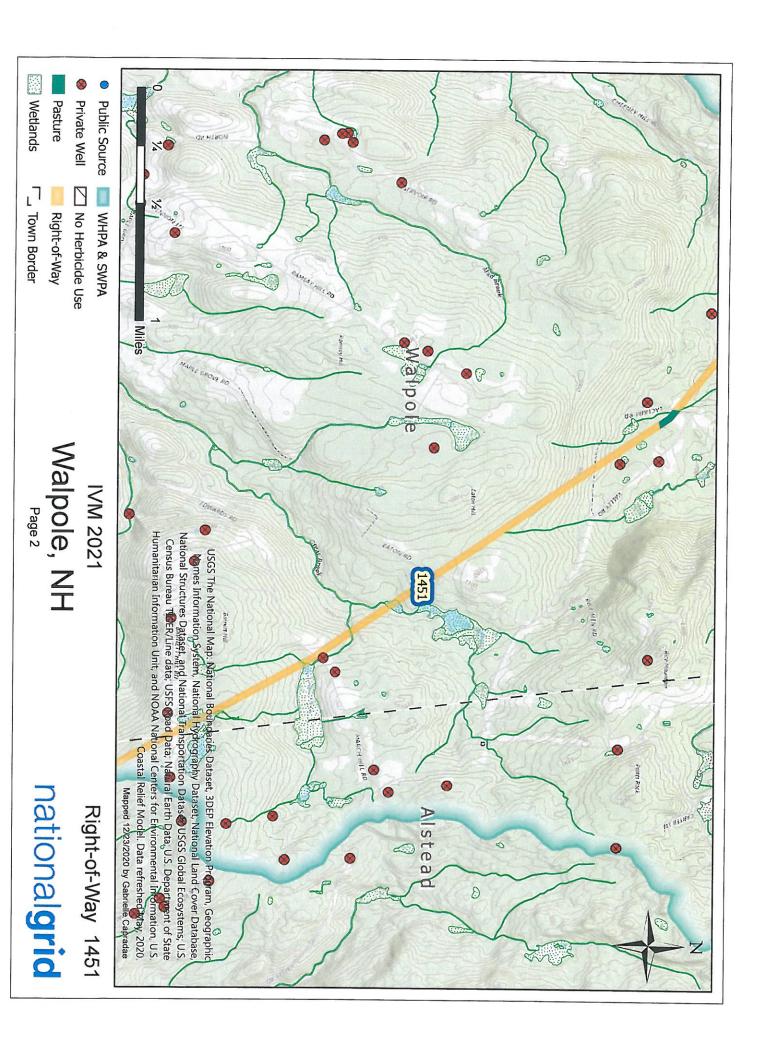
I am writing to inform you that National Grid has scheduled vegetation management treatments on its ROW(s) in your municipality, please see attached map(s)). Rights-of-way may be identified by locating a metal tag on a pole or structure with the following initials: "NEPCO" or "GSECO" and usually appear with a pole or structure number and the right-of-way number.

Two methods of application will be used to maintain rights-of-way in New Hampshire. A preparatory Cut and Stump Treatment (CST) will be made where trees must be hand cut near inhabited areas, roads, and for all trees over 12 feet tall. A foliage application consisting of the same materials will be made selectively to target species less than 12 feet tall over the remaining portion of the right-of-way. Foliar applications will take place between June and October 15th. (The tentative starting date of the work is June 1, 2021. Because of possible inclement weather, access difficulties and other factors, it is impossible at this time to pinpoint the exact date we will be working in your community). In both treatment methods, applicators walk to each target plant and apply minimal amounts of herbicide. All herbicides have been approved for use by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the New Hampshire Division of Pesticide Control. The herbicide mixes used may include: Vastlan (Triclopyr), Milestone (Aminopyralid), Escort XP (Metsulfuron Methyl), Rodeo (Glyphosate), and/or Garlon 4 (Triclopyr).

This work has been planned and will be coordinated and inspected by professionally trained National Grid Foresters. Landowners or residents should make the application contractor aware of the location of a potentially affected water supply, and of any other sensitive area where herbicide application should be further restricted. The planned work will be performed by Lucas Tree Experts. The contact person at Lucas Tree Experts is Jared Valiquet and can be reached from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM at 207-747-8399.

In accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire and the Pesticide Control Board, utilities must make "an offering in the form of a Notification Request Coupon to individual





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National Grid plans to apply herbicides along certain rights-of-way in New Hampshire in 2021. In accordance with administrative rules of the State of New Hampshire Pesticide Control Board, no application of herbicides shall be made to rights-of-way, during the months of June through October 15, without first providing notification to Town officials, the public, and residences near the rights-of-way. This announcement serves to provide notification

to the public. The following herbicides will be selectively used to control certain tall-growing vegetation on the rights-of-way: Vastlan (Triclopyr), Milestone (Aminopyralid), Escort XP (Metsulfuron Methyl), Rodeo (Glyphosate), and/or Garlon 4 (Triclopyr). National Grid will conduct maintenance on the following rights-of-way in the associated Towns, beginning June 1, 2021:

Right-of-Way	Towns
1301	Bath, Benton, Haverhill, Lyman, Monroe, Warren, Wentworth
1451	Alstead, Gilsum, Keene, Marlborough, Roxbury, Surry, Swanzey, Troy, Walpole
1453	Fitzwilliam, Rindge, Troy

Individual landowners whose property abuts the right-of-way, or over whose property the right-of-way passes, may request and receive individual notification thirty days prior to any treatment. A Notification Request Coupon is provided below. To receive individual notification, fill out the Notification Request Coupon and return to the specified address. Coupons must be received by National Grid no later than May 15, 2021. Requests received after this date will not be granted until the next treatment cycle.

In addition to the Personal Notification by mail, as an individual landowner whose property abuts the right-of-way, or over whose property the right-of-way passes, you have the right to request and receive the approximate

date, plus or minus 5 days that herbicides will be applied to the right-of-way in your area. Requests should be made to the contact listed below.

Rights-of-way may be identified by locating a metal tag on a pole or structure with the following initials: "NEPCO" or "GSECO" and usually appear with a pole or structure number and the right-of-way number, see list above.

In accordance with State Regulations, it is the duty of each landowner or resident to make National Grid aware of the location of potentially affected private water supplies, and of any other environmentally sensitive areas where herbicide application should be further restricted.

Further information may be requested by contacting, during business hours (Mon.-Fri. 8:00AM-4:00PM): Mariclaire Rigby • National Grid • Telephone (508) 860-6282 • mariclaire.rigby@nationalgrid.com

NOTIFICATION REQUEST COUPON Name _____ Property Location: Town ____ Street _____ Street Address ____ Tel. # (home) ____ Tel. # (work) _____ Town ____ State ____ Zip Code _____ Line and Pole Numbers: ____ Other Landowner Location Information: _____ Sensitive Areas: _____ Landowner or Abutter requests notification of approximate date of application (Yes or No): -______

Return to: Mariclaire Rigby National Grid Vegetation Strategy 939 Southbridge Street, Worcester, MA 01610