

To: The Environmental Monitor
From: MA Division of Fisheries & Wildlife
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RE Notification of filing an NOI for a Project of Habitat Restoration and Management at Scarborough Brook Conservation Area in Belchertown, MA

NOI Submission Date: March 2019

The proposed project is seeking approval for the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, associated landowners, and contractors under DFW's supervision to use several vegetation management techniques in the wetlands associated with Scarborough Brook Conservation Area. Scarborough Brook is comprised of a mosaic of early successional habitat, including an unusual example of a groundwater-influenced sandplain grassland natural community which contains highly specialized and rare species that are dependent on these features. The goal of this project is to restore and maintain a suite of highly specialized species and their associated natural communities through the use of invasive species control, vegetation cutting, and prescribed fire. These actions are necessary to restore/enhance the important landscape features at the site that have been degraded due to the disruption of natural processes.

Reviewing Conservation Commission

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Copies of the Notice of Intent may be acquired from the project leader,
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