

November 18, 2019

*Environmental Monitor* notice of proposed Ecological Restoration Limited Project (ERLP) at 992 Foley Road Sheffield MA.

Notice: James Panichella will file a Notice of Intent with the Sheffield Conservation Commission and MA DEP for project review of invasive plant species control as an Ecological Restoration Limited Project (ERLP).

Project description: The proposed project includes the mechanical control of various woody and herbaceous invasive plant species (primarily Common Reed and Bittersweet) throughout an approximate 1.1-acre area. It is anticipated that all work will be performed by Helia Land Design. The property is along the Schenob River within the Schenob ACEC and contains protected Bank, Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, Land under Waterways, Riverfont Area and Bordering Land Subject to Flooding (BLSF).

A MESA filing was previously submitted to MA Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program (NHESP). A determination was issued by MA NHESP on December 5, 2018. A copy of the NOI will also be provided to MA NHESP.

NOI submission: The applicant anticipates submitting the Notice of Intent application for review as an Ecological Restoration Limited Project (ERLP) for public hearing review in December of 2019.

More information: Further information about the Notice of Intent and public hearing may be obtained from the Sheffield Conservation Commission at (413) 229-7000 ext. 157. You may also contact Emily Stockman of Stockman Associates LLC at (413) 743-1372.