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Subject: RE: Lincoln Lace and Braid Public Comments

Tim:

This email is to formally revise one comment on the document titled *Public Involvement Comments and Response to Hartford Park Resident's Association (HPRA) Comments Lincoln Lace and Braid Remediation Project* dated 22 April 2010, submitted to RIDEM by EA.

Comment 17 states the following: *A 1-ft soil cap and geotextile will be installed around existing trees after an air spade excavation is performed to remove surficial contamination. The trees will be monitored on a quarterly basis to determine if they remain healthy. If determined otherwise, the trees will be removed and the cap repaired in accordance with language to be inserted into the SMP.*

Further discussion on this point has led to the decision that the areas surrounding remaining trees will not be excavated. Rather, the soil cap will extend to the tree trunks. This may harm the trees over the long term. Therefore, the Parks Department will monitor the trees on a semiannual, rather than a quarterly basis. It was determined that quarterly inspections are excessive and semiannual inspections will suffice in monitoring the health of the trees to prevent a sudden uprooting. EA will include this requirement in the draft Environmental Land Usage Restriction that will be submitted with the Revised Remedial Action Work Plan upon receipt of the anticipated Remedial Decision Letter.

Please contact me at the information provided below if you have any questions or comments.

Thanks,

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