

TREE CONSERVATION
REPORT V5.0

6600 Rue Carrière

Tree Conservation Report prepared as Partial Requirements for a Site Plan Control Application, September 11, 2025

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Tree Conservation Report v4.0

Submitted as part of Site Plan Control Application

Address: 6600 Rue Carrière

Date of Report: September 11, 2025

Date of Site Visit: July 4, November 3, 2022 and December 16, 2024

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NOTE: This report is an update to the previous TCR prepared by Dendron Forestry Services dated May 2, 2025. During the preparation of construction activity, it was noted that the cedar hedge along the west part of the property would be heavily impacted by proposed construction. An onsite meeting was held with city forestry staff, and it was confirmed that a portion of this cedar hedge would be removed as it would be too damaged by the construction. The only part of this report that has been updated to reflect this change is the information for the tree inventory table for the cedar hedges labelled 5 and 7, and the subsequent Map#2: Proposed Development and Conserved Vegetation.

This Report must be read in its entirety, including the Assumptions and Limiting Conditions attached herein.

Purpose of the Report

This Tree Conservation Report has been prepared for Jenny Lafrance from Provencher Roy, as partial requirements for the Site Plan Control Application submitted to the City of Ottawa. The objectives of this Tree Conservation Report are:

- To describe all trees with diameters over 10 cm on the site, recording their species, size, and current health condition. This includes trees on adjacent private property 10 cm or greater in diameter, with critical root zones that extend onto the subject property. It also includes city trees of all sizes that will be impacted by the proposed development.
- To evaluate the impact of the trees by the proposed development and what the recommended action is (retain and protect or remove)
- To provide recommendations on how to mitigate damage to retained trees during construction

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Methodology

The following materials were reviewed as part of this report:

- Survey prepared by Annis, O'Sullivan, Vollebeck Ltd, dated Feb 5, 2020
- Site Servicing and grading and drainage Plan prepared by Jp2g Consultants, dated June 17, 2022
- Paterson Group Geotechnical Investigation dated December 15, 2021
- Engineering plans prepare by Jp2g Consultants Inc, last updated Oct 28, 2022

A site visit was conducted to collect the following information from each tree classified as protected under the City of Ottawa's Tree Protection By-law No. 2020-340:

- Diameter at breast height (1.3 m from grade)
- Species
- Tree health
- Relevant measurements such as distance to the existing structures like fences, driveways, etc

Other observations on the natural features were also noted and a scan for tree species at risk was completed.

Current Vegetation

The following is an inventory of all trees that are protected under City of Ottawa Tree Protection (By-law No. 2020-340) on the site. These are identified on the Current Vegetation Map as part of this report. Protected trees include private trees with a diameter at breast height (dbh) of 10 cm or greater, and city-owned trees of all sizes. It also includes trees with a dbh of 10 cm or greater on adjacent properties whose Critical Root Zone (CRZ) extend into the subject area. The CRZ is an area around the trunk with a radius equivalent to 10 times the diameter of the trunk. This does not take into account infrastructure such as buildings and asphalt and it assumed the tree has no restrictions on root growth.

Tree Inventory

Tree ¹	Species	Diameter at breast height (dbh)	Ownership ^{2,3}	Condition	Action and Recommendations
1	Colorado spruce (<i>Picea pungens</i>)	67 cm	Private	Fair; some dieback throughout crown	To be removed; in footprint of proposed building; Tree permit required
2	White pine (<i>Picea</i> glauca)	42, 42 cm	Private	Good; included bark at junction	To be removed; in footprint of proposed building; Tree permit required



3	Honey locust (Gleditsia triacanthos)	38 cm	Private	Good/fair, 10% crown dieback	To be removed; in footprint of proposed building; Tree permit required
4	Manitoba maple (Acer negundo)	10 cm sprouts	Private	Poor; old stump with sprouts	To be removed due to health; Tree permit required
5	Cedar hedge (Thuja occidentalis)	5-15 cm	Private	Good/fair	Partial removal as shown on map, remaining section to be protected with fencing as per City of Ottawa Tree Protection Specifications (March 2021)
6	Austrian pine (Pinus nigra)	39 cm	Private	Fair; boring insect holes, heavy grapevine presence	Remove based on health and conflict with infrastructure
7	Cedar hedge (Thuja occidentalis)	5-10 cm	Private	Good/fair	Partial removal as shown on map, remaining section to be protected with fencing as per City of Ottawa Tree Protection Specifications (March 2021)
8	Cedar (Thuja occidentalis)	51 cm (measured at 0.5 m)	Private	Fair: multiple stems, 5% lean	Remove; in footprint of proposed parking area; Tree permit required
9	Cedar (Thuja occidentalis)	21, 45, 22 cm	Private	Good/fair	Remove; in footprint of proposed parking area; Tree permit required
10	Cedar hedge (Thuja occidentalis)	5-15 cm	Private	Poor; unmaintained and shaded by adjacent tree	Remove; in footprint of proposed parking area; Tree permit required
11	Norway maple (Acer platanoides)	46 cm	Private	Good	Remove; in footprint of proposed parking area; Tree permit required



12	Red maple (Acer rubrum)	52 cm	Private	Good/fair; exposed roots, some root girdling beginning	Remove; in footprint of proposed parking area; Tree permit required
13	Crabapple (Malus spp)	7 cm	Private	Fair; recent loss of secondary stem and branch, split at old branch attachment wound	Retain and protect with fencing as per City of Ottawa Tree Protection Specifications (March 2021); may be relocated but no permit required as under 10 cm
14	Trembling aspen (Populus tremuloides)	21 cm	Private	Good	Remove due to proximity of new building and sensitive marine clay soils (see report for more details)
15	Eastern Cottonwood (<i>Populus</i> <i>deltoides</i>)	65 cm	Adjacent school property	Fair/good	Remove due to proximity of new building and sensitive marine clay soils (see report for more details)
16	Eastern Cottonwood (<i>Populus</i> <i>deltoides</i>)	97 cm	Adjacent school property	Fair/good	Remove due to proximity of new building and sensitive marine clay soils (see report for more details)
174	Poplars (Populus spp.)	20-40 cm (20-25 trees in total)	Adjacent school property	Fair – good	Remove due to proximity of new building and sensitive marine clay soils (see report for more details)
184	Eastern Cottonwood (Populus deltoides)	52, 44 cm	Adjacent school property	Fair - good	Remove due to proximity of new building and sensitive marine clay soils (see report for more details)
19 ⁴	Row of red maples (Acer rubrum)	10-30 cm	Adjacent school property;	Fair - good	Retain; no action needed as far enough



			set back 1-2 m from property line		from proposed construction
204	Large tooth aspen (Populus gandidentata)	54 cm	Adjacent school property	Good	Remove based on proximity (less than 2 m) to new parking lot which will damage roots increasing risk of failure
214	Large tooth aspen (Populus gandidentata)	46 cm	Adjacent school property	Good	Remove based on proximity (less than 2 m) to new parking lot which will damage roots increasing risk of failure
224	Large tooth aspen (Populus gandidentata)	40 cm	Adjacent school property	Good	Remove based on proximity (less than 2 m) to new parking lot which will damage roots increasing risk of failure
234	Large tooth aspen (Populus gandidentata)	51 cm	Adjacent school property	Good	Remove based on proximity (less than 2 m) to new parking lot which will damage roots increasing risk of failure
244	Large tooth aspen (Populus gandidentata)	42 cm	Jointly owned with school	Good	Remove due to proximity to new building and conflict with the new transformer to be installed within 2 m of the tree
254	Large tooth aspen (Populus gandidentata)	46 cm	Jointly owned with school	Good/fair; large branch hanging over subject property	Remove due to proximity to new building and conflict with the new transformer to be installed within 2 m of the tree
264	Large tooth aspen (Populus gandidentata)	50 cm	Jointly owned with school	Remove	Remove due to proximity of the tree to the new building (appr 9.5 m)



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274	Red maple (<i>Acer</i> rubrum)	26,25,15,23 cm	Adjacent school property	Good	Remove due to proximity of new building and sensitive marine clay soils (see report for more details)
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¹ Please refer to the enclosed Tree Conservation Report map for tree numbers. Note that this map includes a tree layer added to the survey and grading plan (in pdf format) provided by the client. This layer includes only information about the trees and the original plans have not altered in this process.

The school property to the east and south of the subject site is lined with trees, mostly poplar and red maple. The larger poplars are eastern cottonwood (*Populus deltoides*) whereas there is a healthy understory of trembling aspen (*Populus tremuloides*). Along the east side, it is mostly poplar, with one small red oak and a few dead ash trees. Along the rear (south) end of the property, there is a row of eastern cottonwood closest to the property line with red maple (*Acer rubum*) dominating the row behind.

There were no tree species at risk identified on the site.

Proposed Development and Conserved Vegetation

The Geotechnical Report prepared by Paterson Group on December 15, 2021, identified the presence of sensitive silty clay on the site. This soil is common in Ottawa and can cause foundational issues if trees are planted too close to structures. Trees, especially high-water demanding species, can deplete water from the soil which may cause shrinkage and shifting of foundations. The new building will be approximately 2 m from the eastern property line where there is an 8-10 m wide row of poplar trees. Poplar trees are fast growing and are high water demanding trees. The recommendation from the report is to provide a setback of 7.5 m from the foundation for smaller trees. For medium to larger trees, the setback should be equivalent to the tree heigh at maturity. Since these poplars can grow 25-30 m high at maturity, they are closer than the recommended setback distance.

As per the recommendations of the geotechnical report regarding maximum tree heights and distances to the building, the row of poplars should be removed to reduce the risk of future foundation issues. In addition to this, the excavation for the new building will be close to the property line which would likely cause some instability of some of the large trees close to the property line on the school side.

The trees along the south side (trees 18, 24-27) will also be within a tree height of the foundation and require removal. All these trees are within a distance that is less than their current height from the proposed building. Furthermore, there is a transformer to be installed within 2 m of trees 24 and 25. In

²Ownership of the tree in this report is based on the information provided and should not be used as a determination of ownership. For ownership disputes, a survey should be relied on. For boundary trees, consent from the adjacent property owner is required for removal as part of the application.

³Trees on adjacent properties may not include a full assessment. The diameters are estimated, and the health is estimated based on what is visible from the subject property. Trees along the property line may also have limited health assessments if part of the tree is not visible.

⁴The location of these trees was not provided and has been estimated



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earlier report iterations, the option of retaining trees 24-26 was explored. The theory was that perhaps the hard surface of the new loading ramp would provide a sufficient barrier to alleviate any concerns around the potential for soil shrinkage by these trees. However, the responses to this question received by the Paterson group memorandum dated April 29, 2025, do not support this concept and, therefore, removal of these trees is now recommended. The option to relocate the transformer was also explored but no longer being considered given the concern around the potential for soil shrinkage.

The row of poplars to the south (trees 20 - 23) will be less than 2 m from the new parking area. The excavation for the proposed parking lot will impact the roots of these trees and may contribute to instability, and removal and replacement is the preferred option in this area.

The remaining trees on the subject site are in direct conflict with the proposed building and parking lot footprint. The exception to this is 13 (see Proposed Development and Conserved Vegetation map) as well as part of the cedar hedges identified as 5 and 7. These trees should be protected during all site works with protective fencing as indicated in the map and maintained until all construction on site has been completed as per the **City of Ottawa Tree Protection Specifications (March 2021)**. Within the fenced area, the following tree protection guidelines should be applied:

- Do not change the grade
- Do not store construction material
- Do not operate machinery
- Do not convert to hard surface or change the landscaping
- Do not excavate unless it is a method that has been pre-approved by the City
- Do not place signs, notices or posters to any tree
- Do not damage the root system, trunk, or branches of any tree
- Direct the exhaust away from the tree

The tree protection fencing must be 1.2 m in height and constructed of a rigid or framed material (e.g. modulus – steel, plywood hoarding, or snow fence on a 2"X4" wood frame) with posts 2.4 m apart such that the fence location cannot be altered. All supports must be placed outside of the CRZ and installation must minimize damage to existing roots.

If the fenced tree protection area must be reduced to facilitate construction, *one* of the following mitigation measures should be applied:

- Place a layer of 6-12 inches (15 to 30 cm) of woodchip mulch to the area
- Apply ¾ (2 cm) inch plywood, or road mats over a 4+ inch (10 cm) think layer of the wood chip mulch
- Apply 4-6 inches (10 to 15 cm) of gravel over a taut, staked, geotextile fabric

Tree Clearing and Migratory Birds

Following the guidelines under the *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, 1994, removal of vegetation should be avoided during the nesting periods for migratory birds which extends from April 15 to as late as



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August 15th. If tree removal is required during this period, a nesting survey should be completed by a biologist within 5 days of tree removal to confirm that no nests are present.

Tree Planting Recommendation

Tree planting along the eastern and southeast corner should follow the recommendations from the Geotechnical report such that only small trees and shrubs are planted that reach no higher than 7.5 m at maturity. Larger trees should only be planted at a distance that is equal to or greater than their maximum height at maturity. The replacement trees that are planted on the school property should be native to the Ottawa region.

The undersigned personally inspected the property and issues associated with this report on July 4, November 3, 2022 and December 16, 2024. On Behalf of Dendron Forestry Services,





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Figure 1: Cedar hedge along the western property line





Figure 2: Poplar trees along the eastern property line





Figure 3: Poplars and red maples along the southern property line



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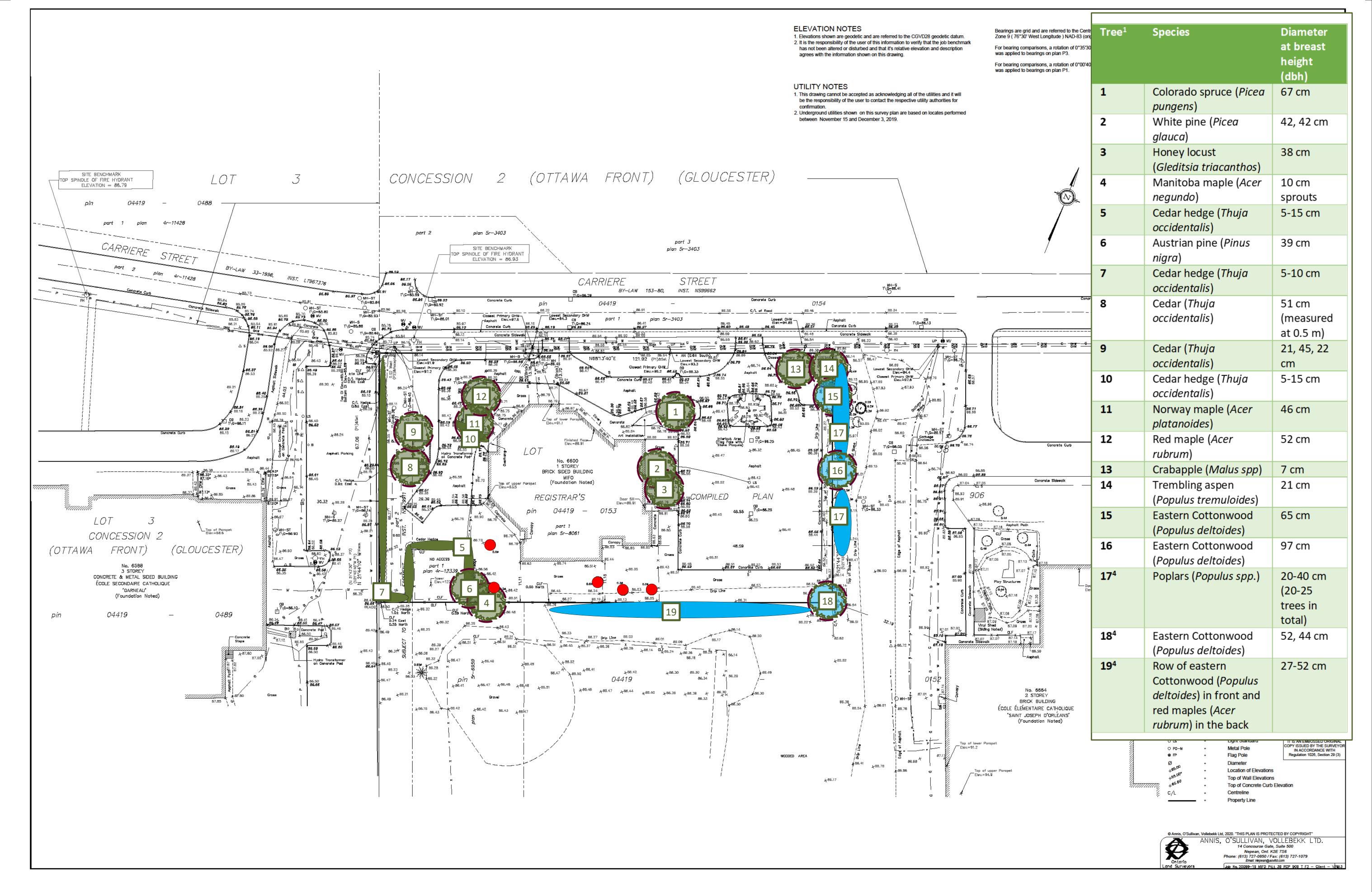
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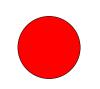
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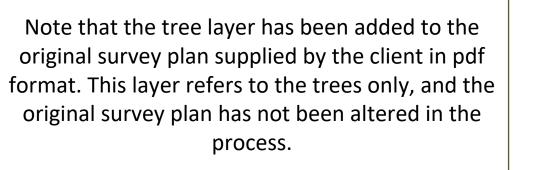
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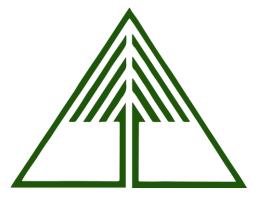


Tree previously removed – only stump remaining



Tree either fully or partly on adjacent property

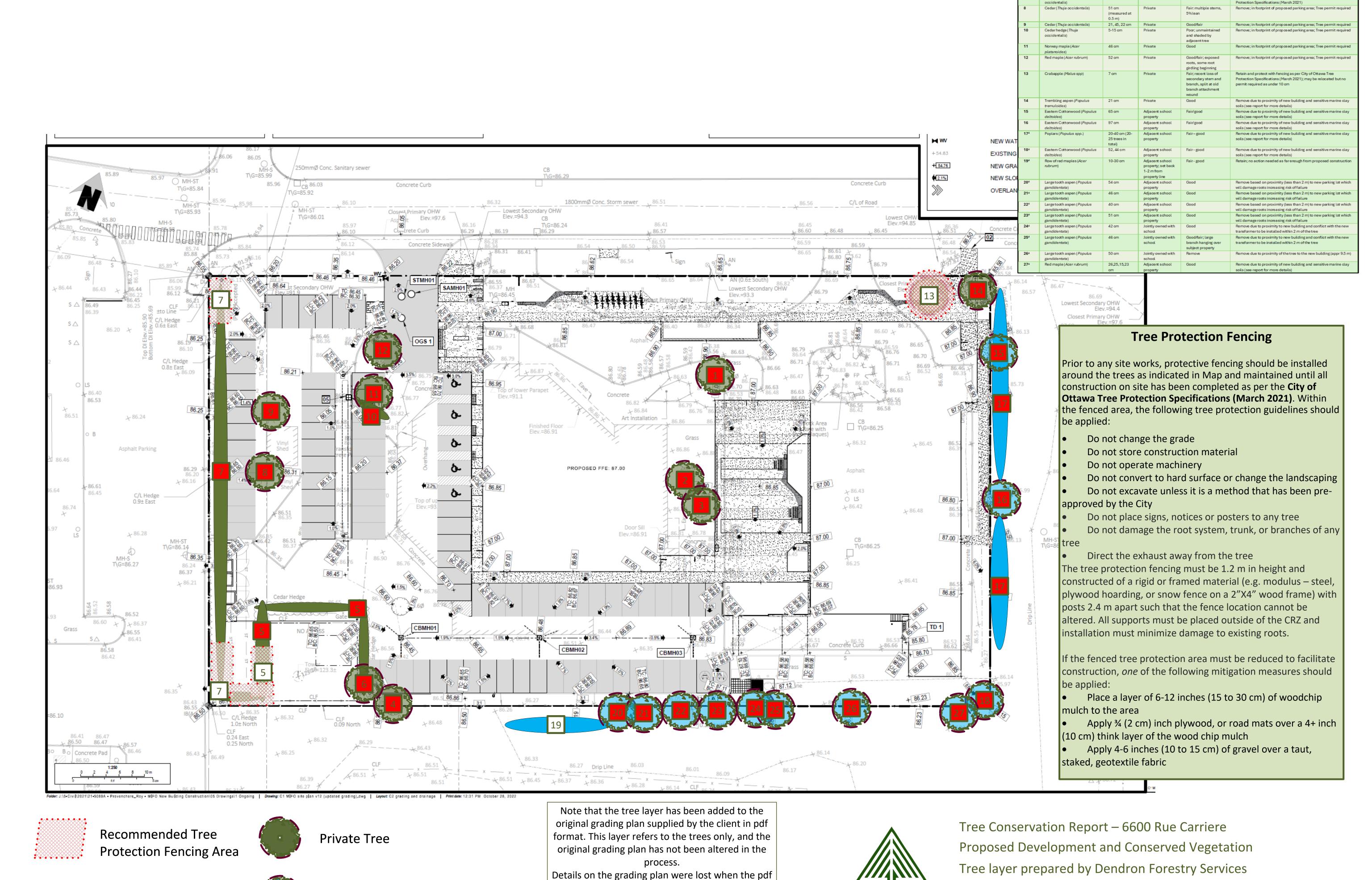




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was imported, see original plan for details on

grading and servicing.

The locations of trees 14-26 were estimated using

the survey plan

Tree either fully or partly

on adjacent property

Tree to be removed

White pine (Picea glauca)

Manitoba maple (Acer

Austrian pine (Pinus nigra)

Cedarhedge (*Thuja*

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Cedarhedge (Thuja

Poor; old stump with

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Partial removal as shown on map, remaining section to be

protected with fencing as per City of Ottawa Tree Protection

Remove based on health and conflict with infrastructure

Specifications (March 2021)