



Tree Community Meeting
**IMPROVEMENTS TO
DORCHESTER PARK PATHWAYS**



September 17, 2024
Boston Parks and Recreation



MEETING RECORDING



The Boston Parks and Recreation Department will be recording the meeting and posting to our project webpage for those who are unable to attend the Zoom meeting live.

It is possible that participants may also be recording the meeting with their phones cameras or other devices. If you do not wish to be recorded during this meeting, please keep your microphone muted and camera off.

*Please share with your neighbors and friends,
[**boston.gov/dorchester-park**](https://boston.gov/dorchester-park)*



VIRTUAL MEETING ETIQUETTE

We want to ensure this conversation is a pleasant experience for all and that all community members/stakeholders are comfortable sharing their comments, questions and feedback.

Please be respectful and mindful of each other's time when asking questions/ providing comments, so that all attendees are able to participate in the meeting.

Keep questions/ comments project-specific and not personal to yield solution-driven discussion.

Please wait until all attendees have had the opportunity to ask a question/ provide a comment before providing additional questions/ comments.

*You can always set up a conversation with **Nelle Ward**, nelle.ward@boston.gov, to further discuss the project or process.*

ZOOM TIPS

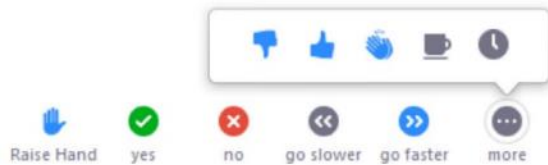
Here is how you can participate during the question and answer part of the presentation.

DURING THE PRESENTATION:



VIA WEB:

Turn video on / off.



To use these non-verbal options click on participants (bottom of screen); these options will pop up in side bar.

DURING THE Q&A:



JOINING VIA PHONE?

Use *9 to raise hand to ask for audio / video permission to ask questions or provide comments.



VIA WEB:

Chat to ask questions / comments or provide responses to poll questions



Raise hand to ask for audio / video permission to ask questions or provide comments.

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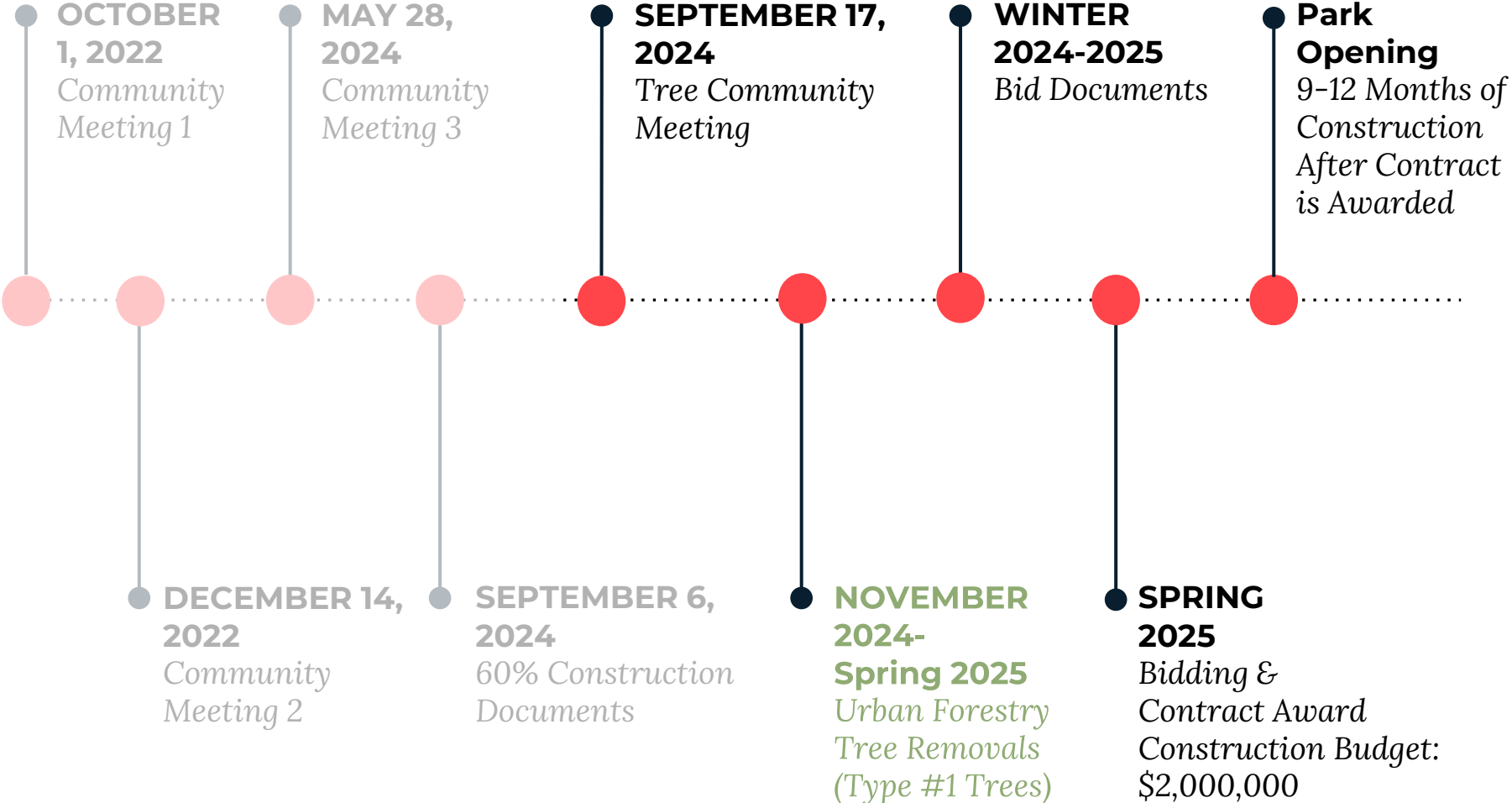
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A photograph of a forest path in autumn. The path is covered in fallen brown leaves and leads into a dense forest of trees with some autumn-colored foliage. A large, smooth, grey rock sits on the left side of the path. In the distance, a person wearing a yellow shirt is walking away from the camera. The sky is a clear, bright blue.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

PROJECT SCHEDULE & FUNDING



A photograph of a forest path during autumn. The path is covered in fallen brown leaves and leads into a dense forest of trees with some remaining green and yellow foliage. A large, smooth, grey rock sits on the left side of the path. In the distance, a person wearing a yellow shirt is visible on the path. The sky is a clear, bright blue.

OVERVIEW OF UPCOMING TREE REMOVALS

OVERVIEW OF UPCOMING TREE REMOVALS | 2 TYPES

TYPE 1) TREES THAT MAY BE REMOVED FOR CANOPY HEALTH & MANAGEMENT

Definition: *Trees that require Removal, as determined by the City of Boston Tree Warden, due to being dead, dying, diseased, or posing a risk to persons and/or property, determined to be an invasive tree species, or for the suppression of pests.*

****Type 1 trees are not part of the Dorchester Park Pathways improvements project. These trees will be removed by the Urban Forestry Department****

TYPE 2) TREES THAT MAY BE REMOVED FOR ACCESSIBILITY & DESIGN

Definition: *Trees that require Removal and/or may be impacted as a result of adjacent construction in order to accommodate the proposed pathway improvements, including new ramps, walkways, and grading, to make the park more accessible and improve circulation.*

A photograph of a forest path during autumn. The path is covered in fallen brown leaves and leads into a dense forest of trees with some yellow and orange foliage. On the left side of the path, there is a large, smooth, grey rock. In the distance, a person wearing a yellow shirt is walking away from the camera. The sky is a clear, bright blue.

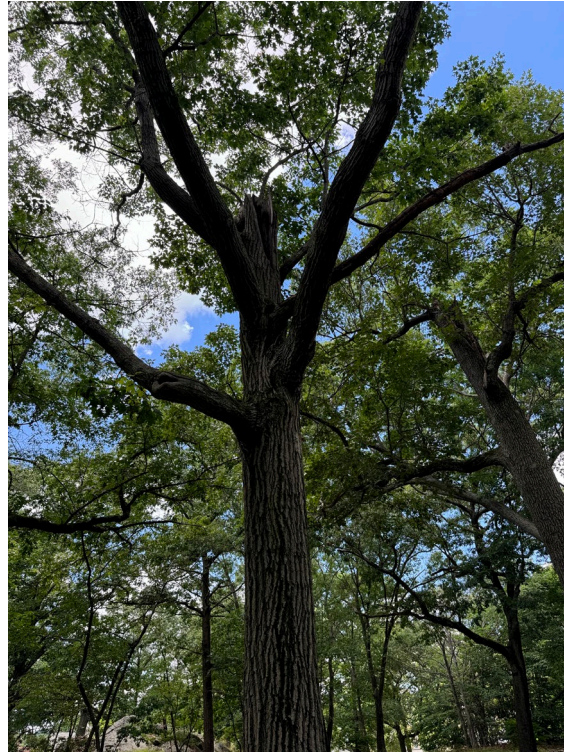
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Ray Dunetz Landscape Architecture - Dorchester Park
Tree Inventory and Management Plan | 2024 Update




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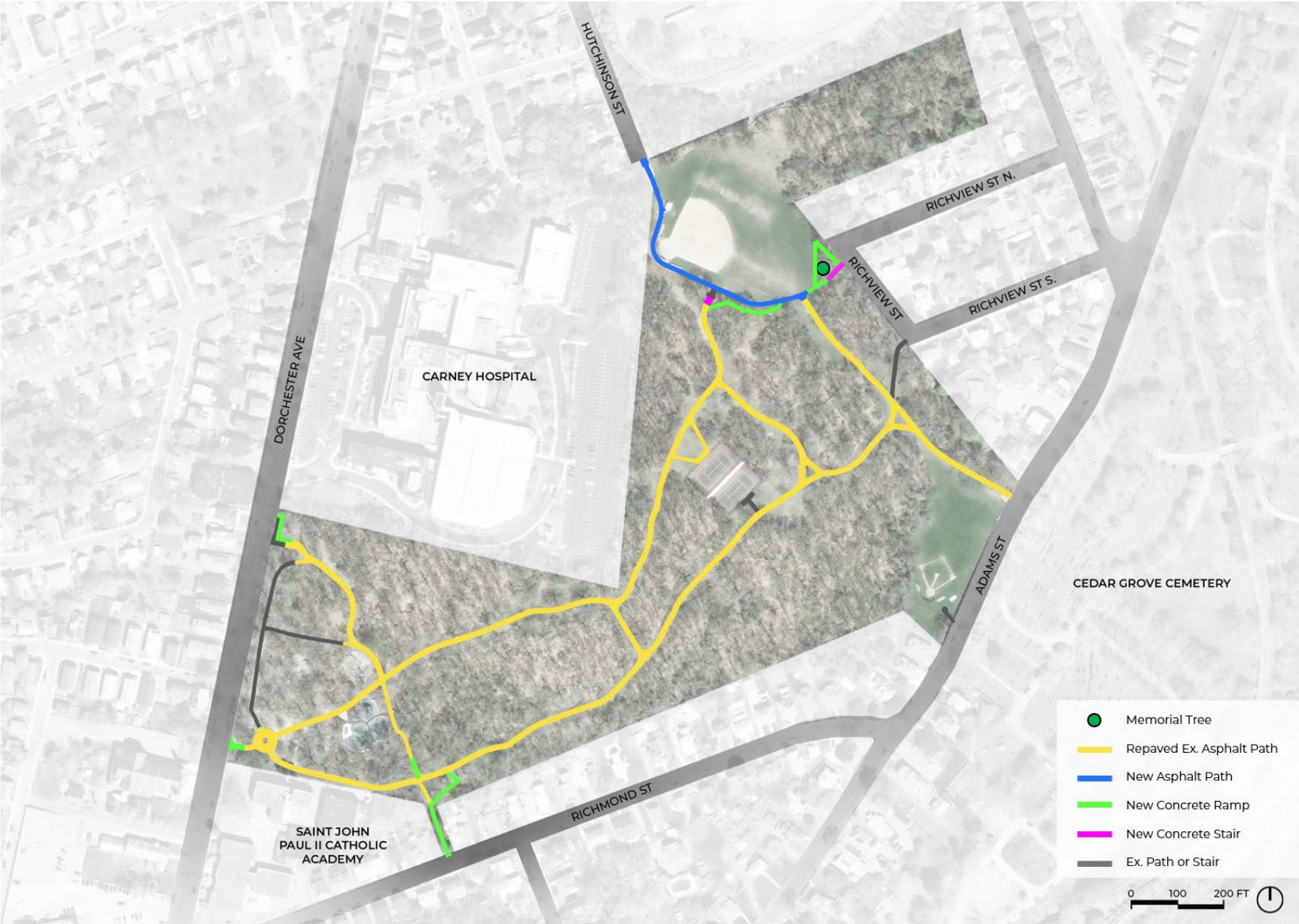


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A photograph of a wooded path in autumn. The path is covered in fallen brown leaves and leads into a forest of trees with some autumn-colored foliage. A large, smooth, grey rock sits on the left side of the path. In the distance, a person wearing a yellow shirt is walking on the path. The sky is clear and blue. The text "TREES THAT MAY BE REMOVED FOR DESIGN & ACCESSIBILITY" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font across the middle of the image.

**TREES THAT MAY BE REMOVED
FOR DESIGN & ACCESSIBILITY**

PROPOSED PATHWAY IMPROVEMENTS | DESIGN



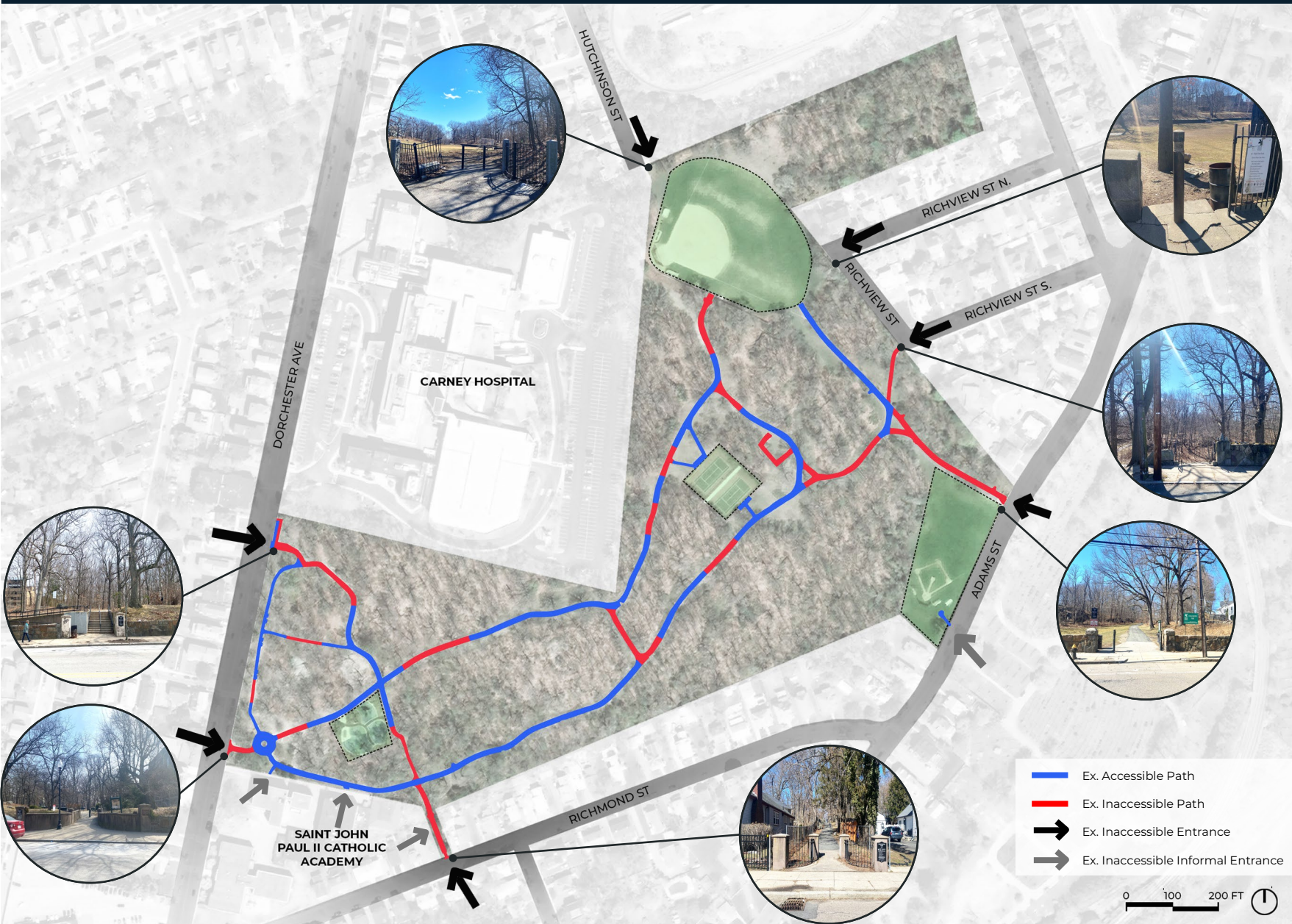
PROPOSED PATHWAY IMPROVEMENTS | BUDGET FOCUS AREAS



PROPOSED PATHWAY IMPROVEMENTS | ACCESSIBILITY



EXISTING CONDITIONS | ACCESSIBILITY

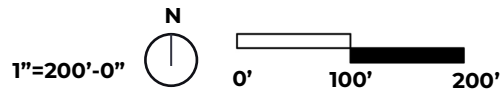


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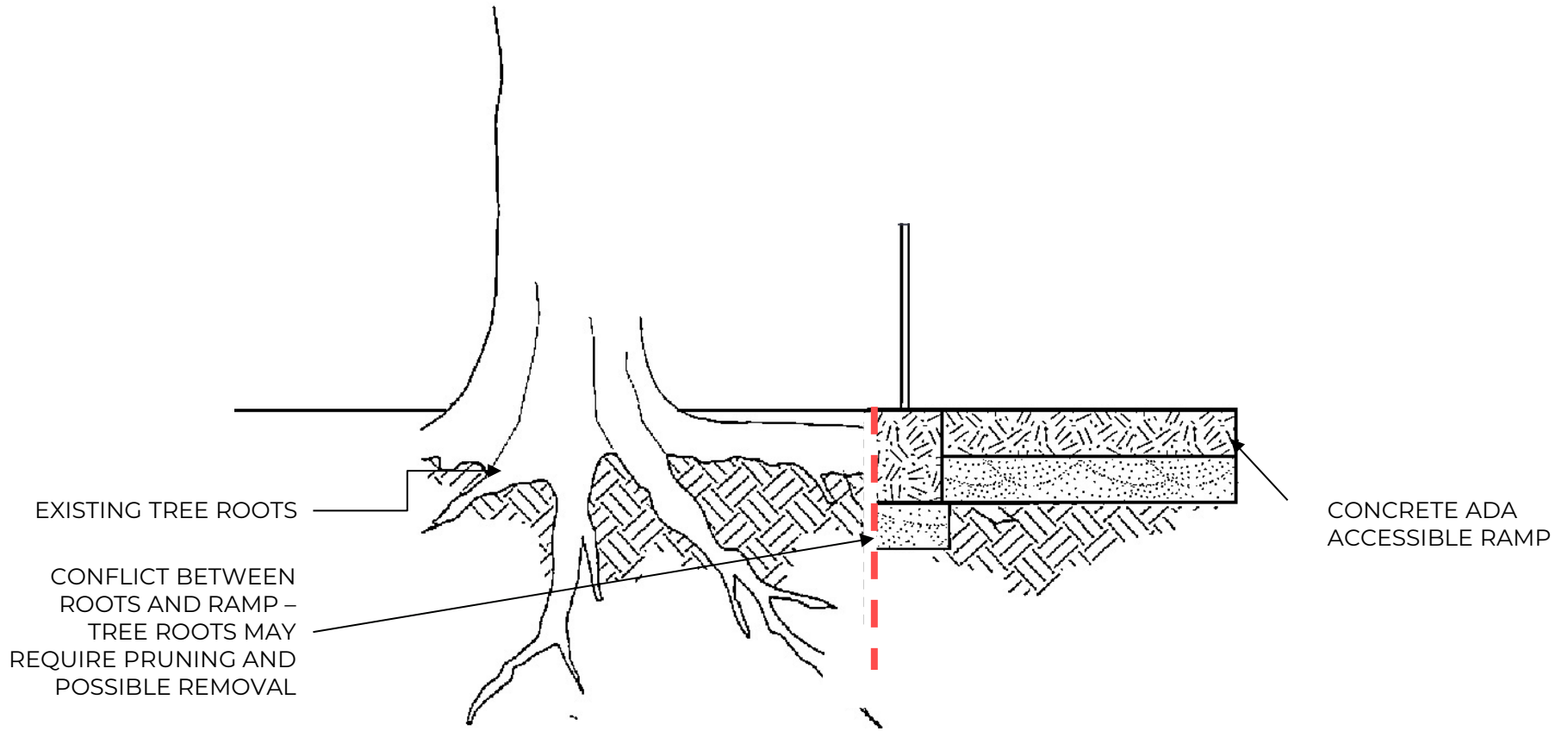


Legend

- Trees that may be removed for design & accessibility



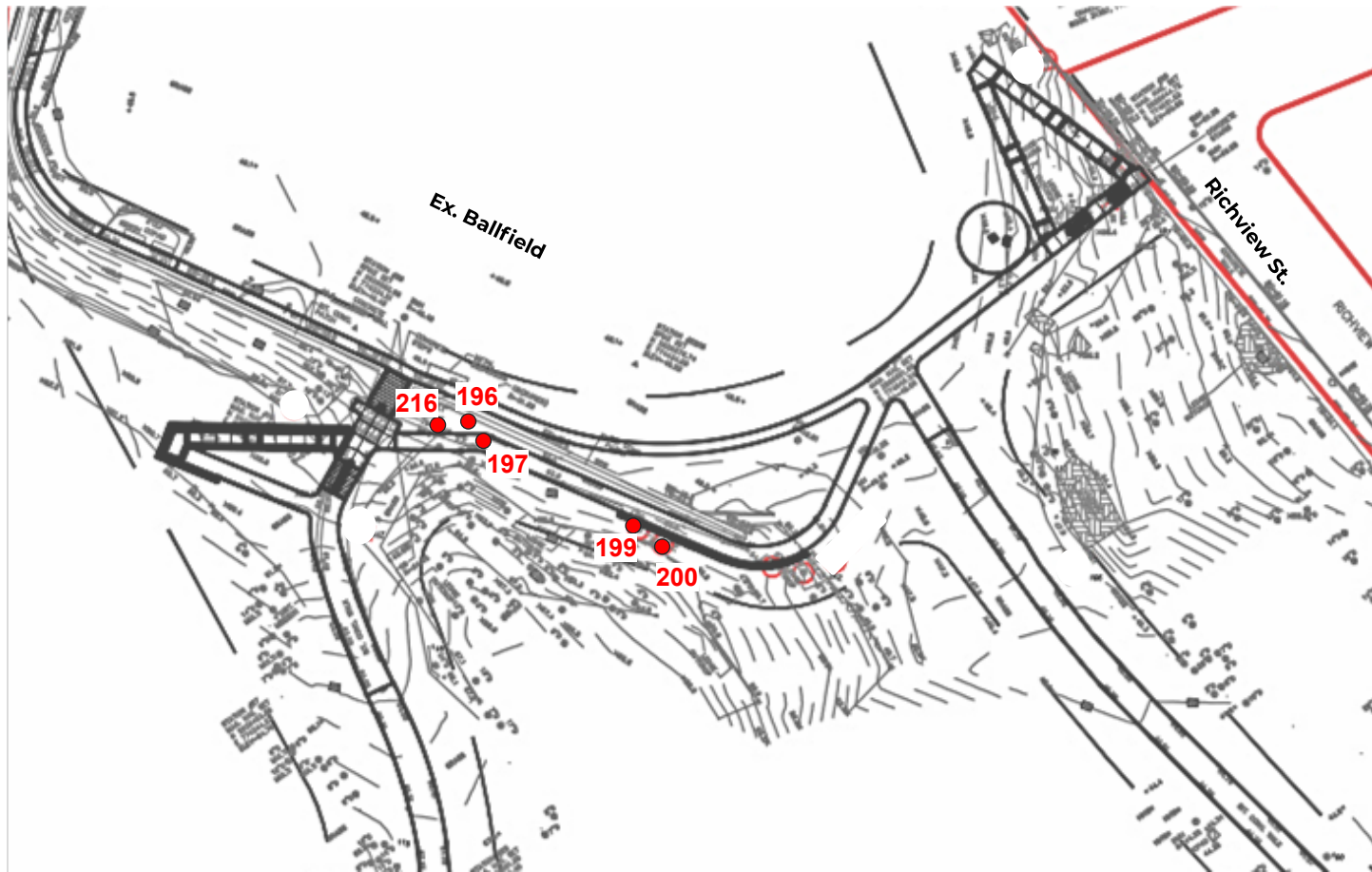
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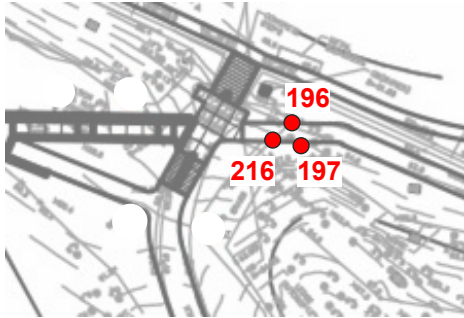
CONFLICT AT CRITICAL ROOT ZONE - SECTION

NOT TO SCALE

TREES THAT MAY BE REMOVED FOR DESIGN & ACCESSIBILITY



TREES THAT MAY BE REMOVED FOR DESIGN & ACCESSIBILITY



Tree Tag ID: #196
Species: Black oak, *Quercus veluntina*
Diameter at Breast Height: 13"
Condition: Good



Tree # 196

Tree Tag ID: #197
Species: Black oak, *Quercus veluntina*
Diameter at Breast Height: 38"
Condition: Good



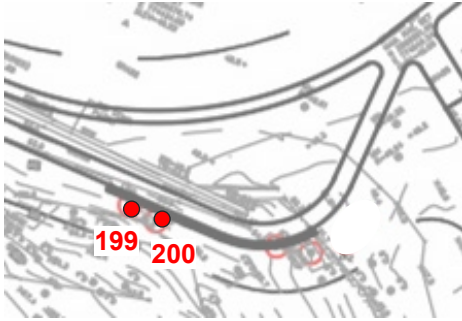
Tree # 197

Tree Tag ID: #216
Species: Black oak, *Quercus veluntina*
Diameter at Breast Height: 16"
Condition: Fair



Tree # 216

TREES THAT MAY BE REMOVED FOR DESIGN & ACCESSIBILITY



Tree Tag ID: #199
Species: White oak, *Quercus alba*
Diameter at Breast Height: 3"
Condition: Good



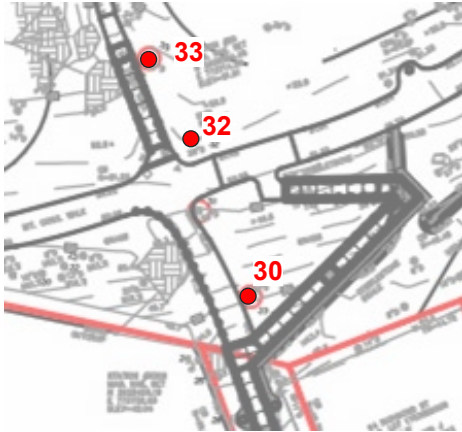
Tree # 199

Tree Tag ID: #200
Species: White oak, *Quercus alba*
Diameter at Breast Height: 8"
Condition: Fair



Tree # 200

TREES THAT MAY BE REMOVED FOR DESIGN & ACCESSIBILITY



Tree Tag ID: #30
Species: Black oak, *Quercus veluntina*
Diameter at Breast Height: 36"
Condition: Good



Tree # 30

Tree Tag ID: #32
Species: Northern Red Oak, *Quercus rubra*
Diameter at Breast Height: 36"
Condition: Fair



Tree # 32

NOTE: The goal is to preserve as many of these trees as possible. However, due to the potential impacts of construction, some may require removal.

Tree Tag ID: #33
Species: Northern Red Oak, *Quercus rubra*
Diameter at Breast Height: 29"
Condition: Fair



Tree # 33

POSSIBLE OVERALL TREE REMOVALS

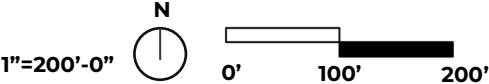
TYPE 2 REMOVALS:
Minimum:
5 Trees
78 Total caliper inches

Maximum:
8 Trees
179 Total caliper inches



Legend

- TYPE 1: Tree to be removed for canopy health & management
- TYPE 2: Tree to be removed for design & accessibility





LISTENING & DISCUSSION

Help us build great parks.
Let us know what matters to you.

THANK YOU!



See the project website for future updates.

<https://www.boston.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/improvements-dorchester-park-pathways>



For questions, maintenance requests or concerns regarding any of our parks contact 311 or project manager Nelle Ward
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