



Street Tree Inventory Companion

Village of Hastings-on-Hudson, New York

Produced by The Village Tree Board
October 1, 2013

Background

Volunteers

New York State DEC Urban Forestry Grant

Global Positioning System Tagging

Maps

Tree Biodiversity

Planting Spaces



The Hastings-on-Hudson Street Tree Inventory is

a dynamic database of publicly owned and managed street trees within the right-of-way in the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson, New York.

a tool for managing a street tree maintenance protocol to encourage a healthy and safe urban forest.

the product of combined efforts by many residents with the ambition of ensuring that Hastings-on-Hudson continues to be a great place to live for future generations.

a call for
volunteers
by the
Village Tree Board

posters and online
announcements

Hastings- on- Hudson, NY



Arbor Day
Weekend!

Street Tree Inventory May 1 - June 2, 2012 Volunteer Today!

Go to: Hastingsgov.org for more information

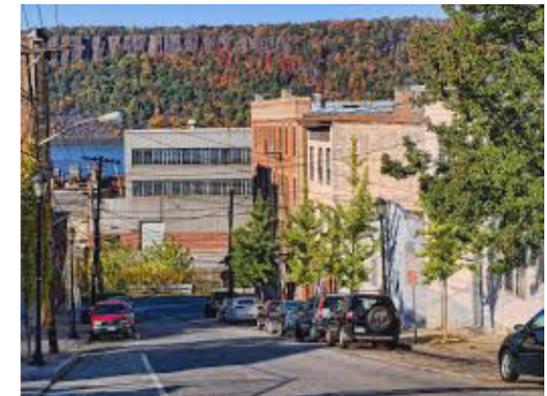
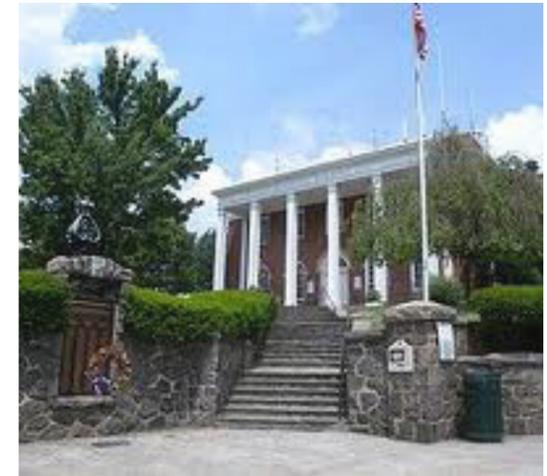
Street trees are an important community resource.
Volunteer to help inventory the street trees in Hastings.
This inventory will provide up-to-date information about
tree diversity, location, condition, and age.
A modern tree inventory enables our community to care
for our existing street trees as well as to plan intelligently
for the future.

Information sessions:

Sunday, April 29, 5:30 pm at the Community Center

Monday, April 30, 7:30 pm at the Public Library

online at Hastingsgov.org



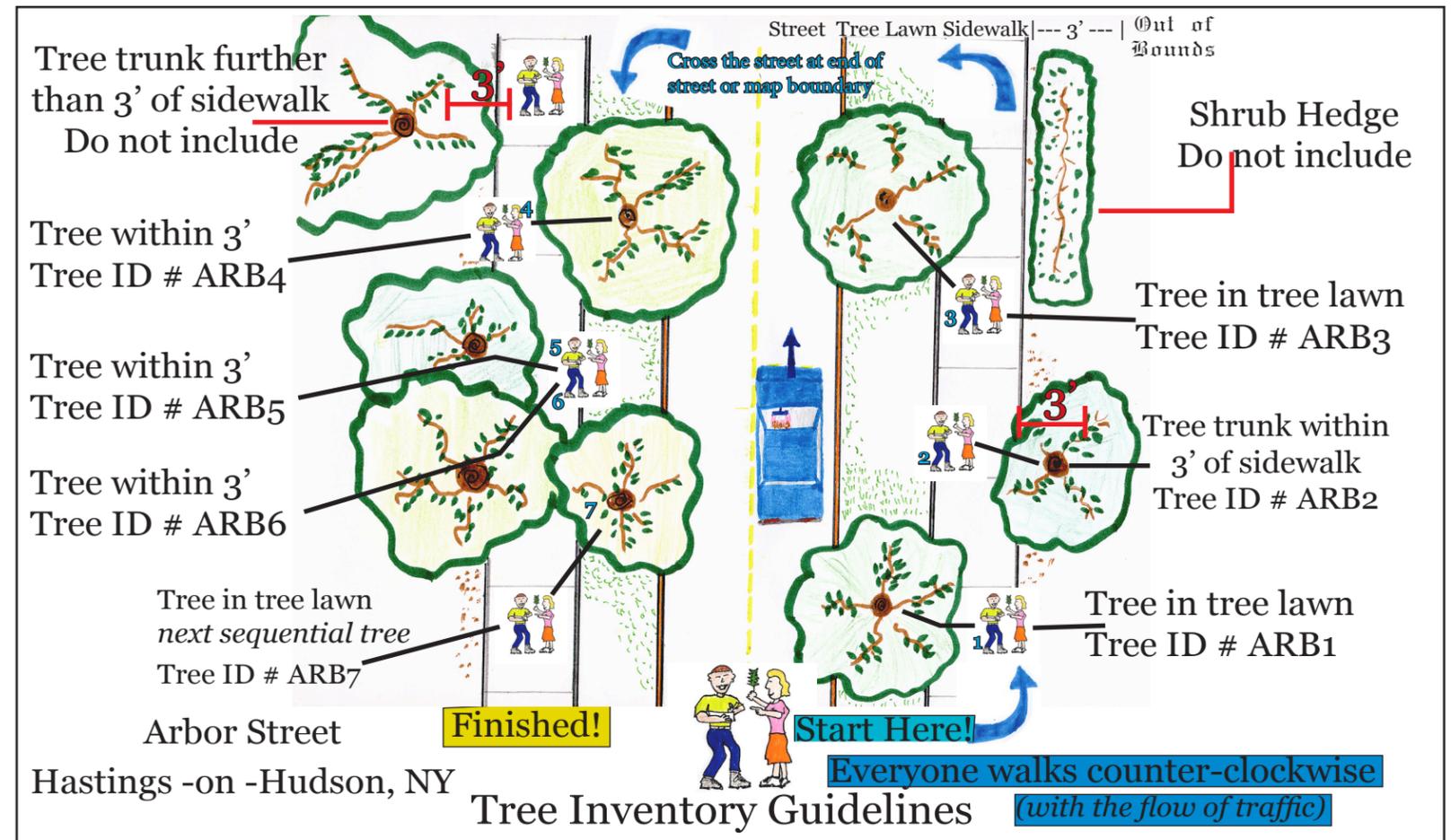
Volunteers attended an information session
Inventory goals and a basic framework
was provided

Volunteers were required to work in groups
no smaller than two.

No experience was necessary.
Help was offered online and in person.

Data objectives for May 2012:

- street tree location
- tree identification
- trunk diameter at breast height
- utility wire conditions
- general observations



Village of Hastings on Hudson, Spring 2012 Tree Inventory

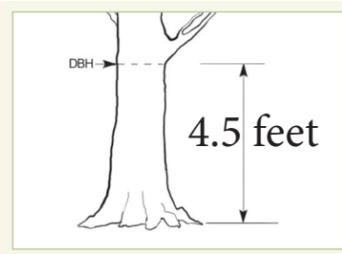
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Tree ID Number	Address #	Street Name	Location Type	Species	D.B.H. (inches)	Utility Wires	Noteworthy Notes: (such as but not limited to)
Street prefix + tree #	nearest house number		<i>T</i> Tree in lawn between street and sidewalk <i>TP</i> tree pit <i>P</i> Between sidewalk and house <i>M</i> Median <i>A</i> Adjacent to curb, no sidewalk	use common name or Latin		Are utility wires overhead? Yes or no	low hanging branches over road % of dead branches large dead branches multi trunked obvious signs of decline - rot at base, damage to trunk tree was topped
EUC-07	83	Euclid	T	N. Red Maple Acer rubrum	16	yes	tree is dying or is dead

Recording D.B.H.

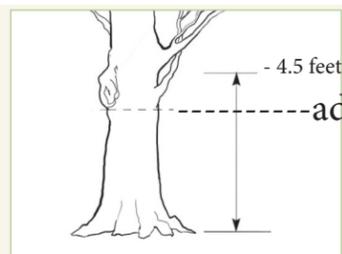


13
aligns with
0
D.B.H. =
13 inches

Note! A D.B.H. tape is different from a tape measure. Please do not use a tape measure. D.B.H. tapes have *two sides!* Use the side that says: Diameter Equivalents of Circumference in terms of inches and tenths of inches!!! Round up or down to the nearest half inch (ex: 6", 6.5", 7"...)

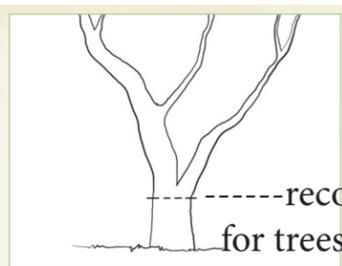


D.B.H. stands for
Diameter at Breast Height
= 4.5 feet



4.5 feet -
adjust for bumps
and branches

13" D.B.H.
Shagbark Hickory
Carya ovata



record below split
for trees with two trunks



Tree Identification Basics

Arrangement of Leaves

the position of a leaf or bud in reference to another leaf or bud along the stem



Opposite



Opposite

If leaves are opposite, likely its...
Maple, Ash, Dogwood, or Horsechestnut
Tip: Remember M.A.D. Horse

Alternate



Alternate

If leaves are alternate, likely its...
Everything Else... Oak, Pear, Apple,
Birch, Hawthorn, Honey Locust...

Whorled



Whorled

... *only a few of these...* *Catalpa*

Compound Leaves



Ash

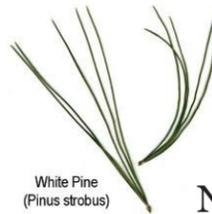
Pinnately Compound



Honey Locust



a few sample shapes



White Pine
(*Pinus strobus*)

Evergreens and Needle Trees



Norway Spruce



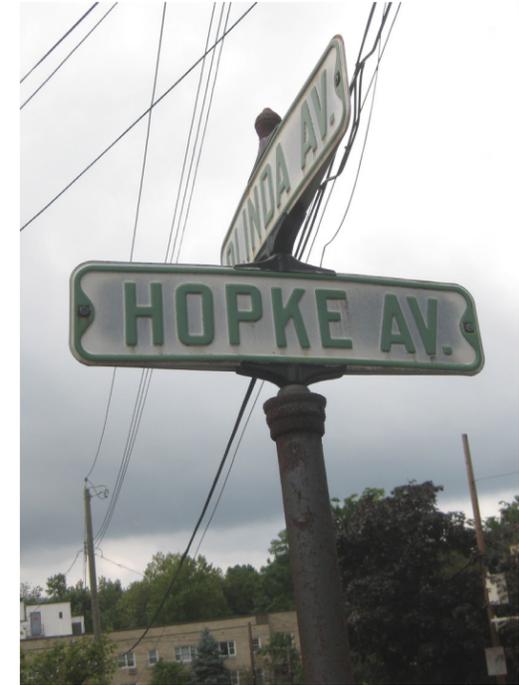
Blue Spruce



Hemlock

Street Trees to expect in Hastings -on -Hudson

Flowering Dogwood	<i>Cornus florida</i>
Flowering Pear	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i>
Japanese Zelkova	<i>Zelkova serrata</i>
Eastern Red Bud	<i>Cercis Canadensis</i>
Shadblow	<i>Amelanchier canadensis</i>
Hawthorne	<i>Crataegus spp.</i>
Crabapple	<i>Malus spp.</i>
Flowering Cherry	<i>Prunus serrulata</i>
Black Cherry	<i>Prunus serotina</i>
European Hornbeam	<i>Carpinus betulus</i>
Hackberry	<i>Celtis Occidentalis</i>
Green Ash	<i>Fraxinus Pennsylvanica</i>
American Linden or Basswood	<i>Tilia Americana</i>
Littleleaf Linden	<i>Tilia cordata</i>
Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>
Ginkgo	<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>
Horse Chestnut	<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>
Sugar Maple	<i>Acer saccharum</i>
Silver Maple	<i>Acer sacharinum</i>
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i>
Japanese Maple	<i>Acer palmatum</i>
Norway Maple	<i>Acer platanoides</i>
Tree of Heaven	<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>
Pin Oak	<i>Quercia palustris</i>
Northern Red Oak	<i>Quercia rubra</i>
Scarlet Oak	<i>Quercus coccinea</i>
American Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i>
Elm species	<i>Ulmus species</i>



Carol Hayward
 Anne-Marie McIntyre
 Gene Spieler
 James D'Addio
 Bronwyn Taggart
 Kathleen McArdle
 Jan Clough
 John Knittel
 Monique Rothman
 Elisa Zazzera
 Ann Scholl
 Labate-Shea family
 Steve Pucillo

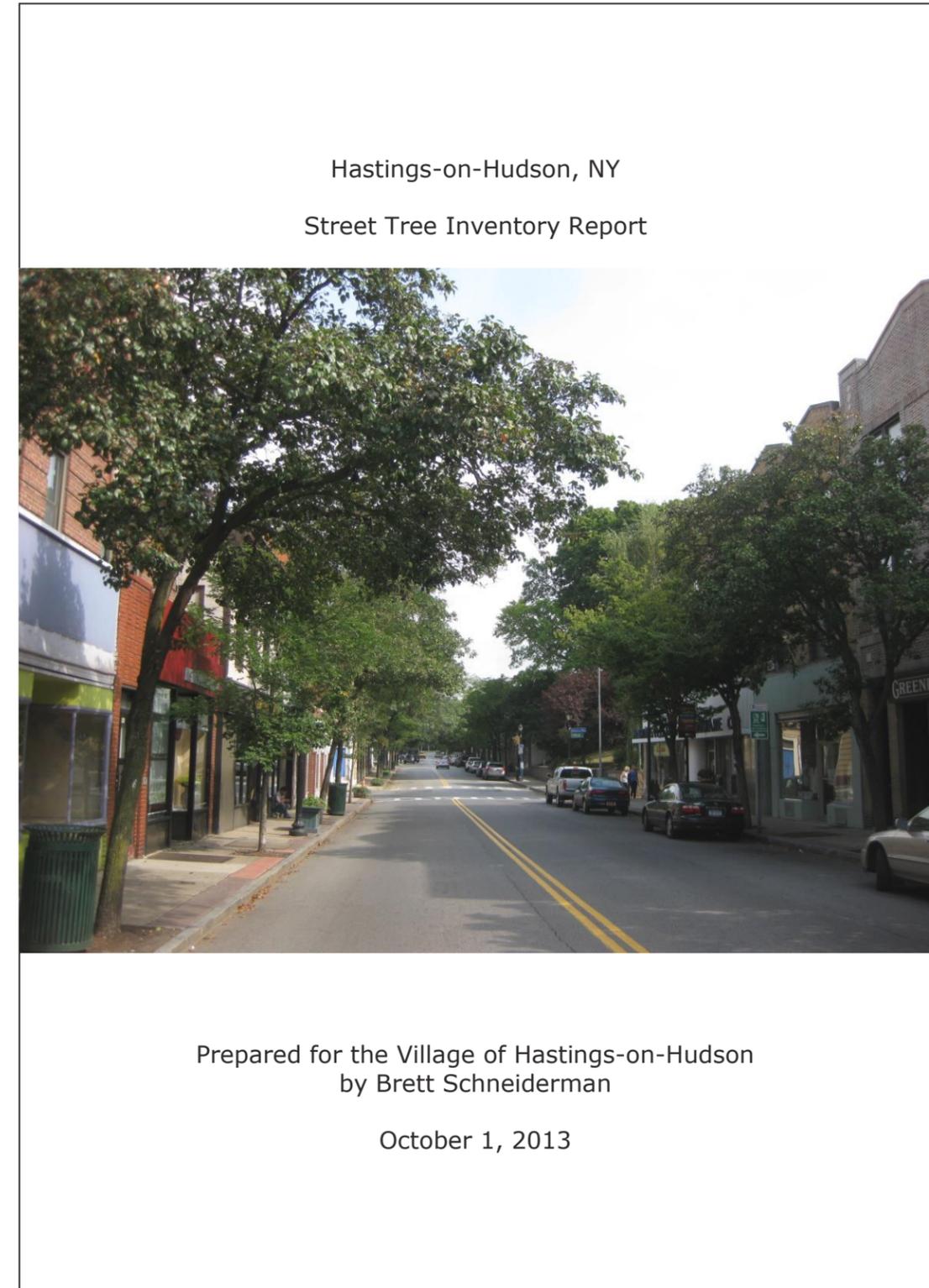
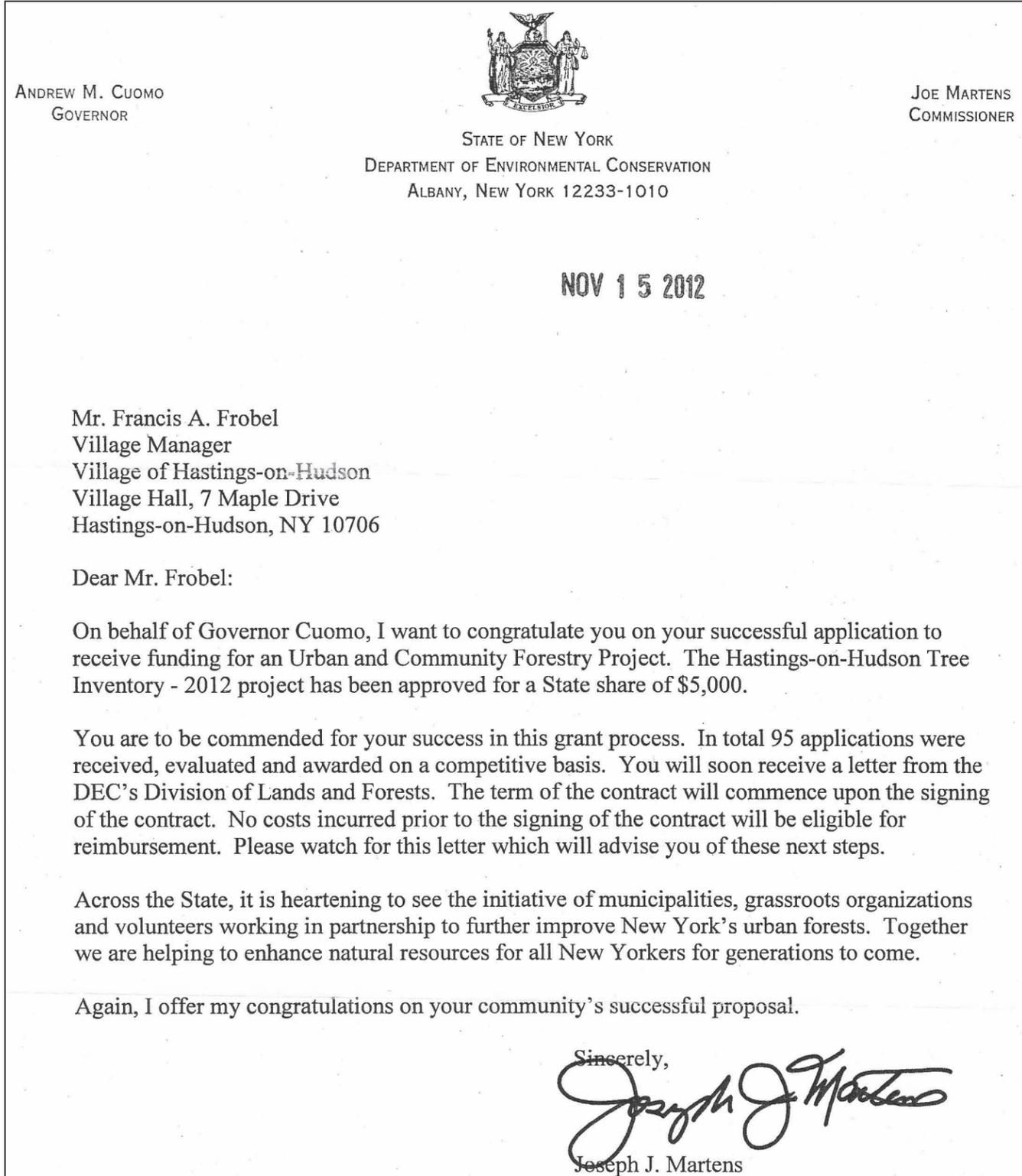
Ann van Buren
 Elizabeth Marouk- Coe
 Jane Cameron
 Irene Jong
 Laura Rice
 Margaret Moulton
 Jennie Bernard
 Patty Lowy
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 Susan Maggiotto
 Mary Mielke
 Diana Jaeger
 Tim Downey

Kathy Sullivan
 Patrick Trautmann
 Peter Lee Waczek
 Eileen Quinlan
 Nicole Diz
 Bill Crosby
 Bill Wu
 Jackie Lhoumeau
 Marty Stricks
 Rhona Neuwirth
 Mary Jean Madigan
 Sheila Shadeed
 Terry Cocchiarella

Sarita Eisenstark
 Maryann Fiebach
 Ms Shandroff
 Barbara Prisament
 Haven Colgate
 Marg Quigley
 Phyllis Mulaire
 Michael Ambrozek
 Jeff Honovich
 Carol Hayward
 Joanne DiSalvo
 Joseph DiSalvo

Volunteers

Thank You



8 The New York State grant provided resources for Global Positioning System tagging, tools for inspecting tree and planting space conditions, and help towards completing and processing collected data

In Hastings –on-Hudson, NY, a Tree City, USA for twenty-eight consecutive years, residents value the aesthetics and community lifestyle that is characterized by arbors that grace our village. We recognize that arbors improve air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, cool our streets, reduce storm water runoff, encourage attractive and safe public space and bolster property values. The Village Tree Board has worked with 100 volunteers to begin a tree inventory that assesses the health and safety of publicly managed trees and identifies planting spaces to inform a planting strategy. We are seeking a Community Grant to complete the inventory to be used to create a long-term arbor management program for the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson.

The tree inventory will provide the critical information needed to determine which trees need maintenance and where new trees will be planted. The inventory will use I-Tree to record species, location, diameter, canopy spread, and visual observations of trees on village streets, parks, and public wooded areas. A stocking percentage per street will be evaluated to determine how many trees should be planted annually. The inventory will reveal the dispersion of tree species within the village. New trees will be chosen to improve species and canopy diversity. Projections of tree heights in relation to overhead wires will be considered along with the species' resilience to street salts. This careful planning will help save the village money in the long run as careful species selection will reduce maintenance needs. The resulting database will include tree identification numbers with GPS location tags for each tree and planting space using the Garmin 62S GPS.

The Inventory will quantify and qualify the condition of public trees in low- income neighborhoods in the village. Attention to these trees in such neighborhoods will help to provide here the social and ecologic benefits that trees provide: summer street cooling, improved air quality, reduced greenhouse gases; and create a nice living environment on public space. Warbuton Avenue south of Washington Avenue is our primary target area for tree planting and stormwater management in a low- income community. The current stocking percentage for street trees in this area is below 10 percent.

Brett Schneiderman, a member of the Village Tree Board and ISA Certified Arborist NY5243A, has been working with Professor Nina Bassuk of the Urban Horticultural Institute and Fred Cowett, whose recent PhD on street tree inventories in NY State, along with Professor Bassuk's work, has helped to identify the parameters needed to establish the budget and necessary tools needed for making accurate assessments of tree health and safety.

The tree inventory is critical at this time, given the extreme storms we have experienced in our region. Recently, trees that have been a feature of the landscape for the last one hundred years have suddenly fallen over after a day of heavy rains. The tree inventory will raise awareness of drainage issues resulting from this weather as well as from the impact of construction adjacent to tree root areas.

The community involvement of the tree inventory is a significant factor. Residents are already more aware of invasive threats such as the Asian Long-Horned Beetle and the Emerald Ash Borer. Residents will also have the opportunity to become stewards of mature trees, taking on some of the costs of pruning and maintenance. Having the volunteers as "eyes on the street" to report trees in decline, invasive insects, and disease will provide a fast, real-time response to these complications, saving money, trees, and lives in the long run.

A tree inventory provides a factual basis for decision making and will assist the Village of Hastings –On-Hudson to update the Village Tree Ordinance. Upon completion of the inventory the village will be able to identify older "heirloom" trees and to provide specialized maintenance to these centenarians. Proper site assessment and soil testing will assist to inform species selection for new trees that will thrive in unoccupied planting spaces.

A goal of the inventory is to provide a system for identifying trees that have a dangerous condition and to provide a framework for the department of public works to be able to quickly reference the location of the tree and dispatch the appropriate maintenance crew. Tree roots may need to be inspected for rot or to determine if an obstruction like a driveway or a building has limited the spreading of roots and compromised tree stability. To perform such inspections specific tools are used to carefully dig into the soil and to make clean and precise pruning cuts where necessary. Not only does this efficiency conserve man hours but it creates a protocol for prompt responses in emergency situations. Part of the long- term vision is to work with the Department of Public works to improve training for village employees working with equipment and responding to dangerous conditions involving tree.

The Hastings-on-Hudson Village Tree Inventory has already created a sense of generous community spirit. Volunteers who for many years have been concerned about the arbor in our village, are happy to have the opportunity to be able to do something about it. Our Board of Trustees has given the Village Tree Board its vote of confidence in the form of a limited amount of funding. A matching grant that would enable us to take action and to protect our trees on an ongoing basis would help the good will or our citizens take root and contribute to the global health of our environment.

SCHEDULE B – PROJECT BUDGET
T304794

CONTRACT NO.: _____

Cost Categories	NYSDEC Grant	Recipient Funds (50% Match)	TOTALS
PERSONAL SERVICES			
Forester	838.50	838.50	1677
Subtotal Personal Services			
NON-PERSONAL SERVICES			
Supplies & Materials: Shovel, \$25, Soil Knife \$25, Root Saw \$36, Brush \$7, Soil Meter \$126, Soil Probe \$103, pH Test Kit \$38, 2 Hand Pruners Heavy Duty \$102, Laupers \$100, Pruning Saw \$26, Magnifiers \$20, Tree Caliper \$32 Binoculars \$94, Orange Flagging \$28, Tree ID Tags \$30, Diameter Tape \$45, Sounding Hammer \$15, Large Tool Box \$80, Lock \$4, 8 Clipboards \$14, Printing & Binding \$74	800	800	1600
Contractual Services: Personnel: Fred Cowett, PhD, 24 hours (\$25/hr x 24 hr \$600) Cornell SWAT, 8 persons, 256 hours (\$18.75hr x 256hr \$4800) Cornell SWAT, transportation, round trips between Ithaca and Hastings-on-Hudson for team (\$248.64) Brett Schneiderman, Project Coordinator, transportation, three round trips between Ithaca and Hastings-on-Hudson (\$248.64)	2948.64	2948.64	5897.28
Equipment: GPS, Two Garmin GPSMAP 62S Handheld GPS Navigators \$746, Digital Camera \$80	413	413	826
Administrative: (Not eligible for reimbursement, but may be eligible for up to 15% of project match.)			
Other: (not included above)			
Description:			
Subtotal Non-Personal Services			\$10,000
GRANT AMOUNT (50%):			\$5,000
MATCH AMOUNT (50%):			\$5,000
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS:			\$10,000

Identify below sources of matching funds: (Federal or State funds will not be considered as an eligible match source)

Village Match in-kind services, Village of Hastings-On-Hudson, NY

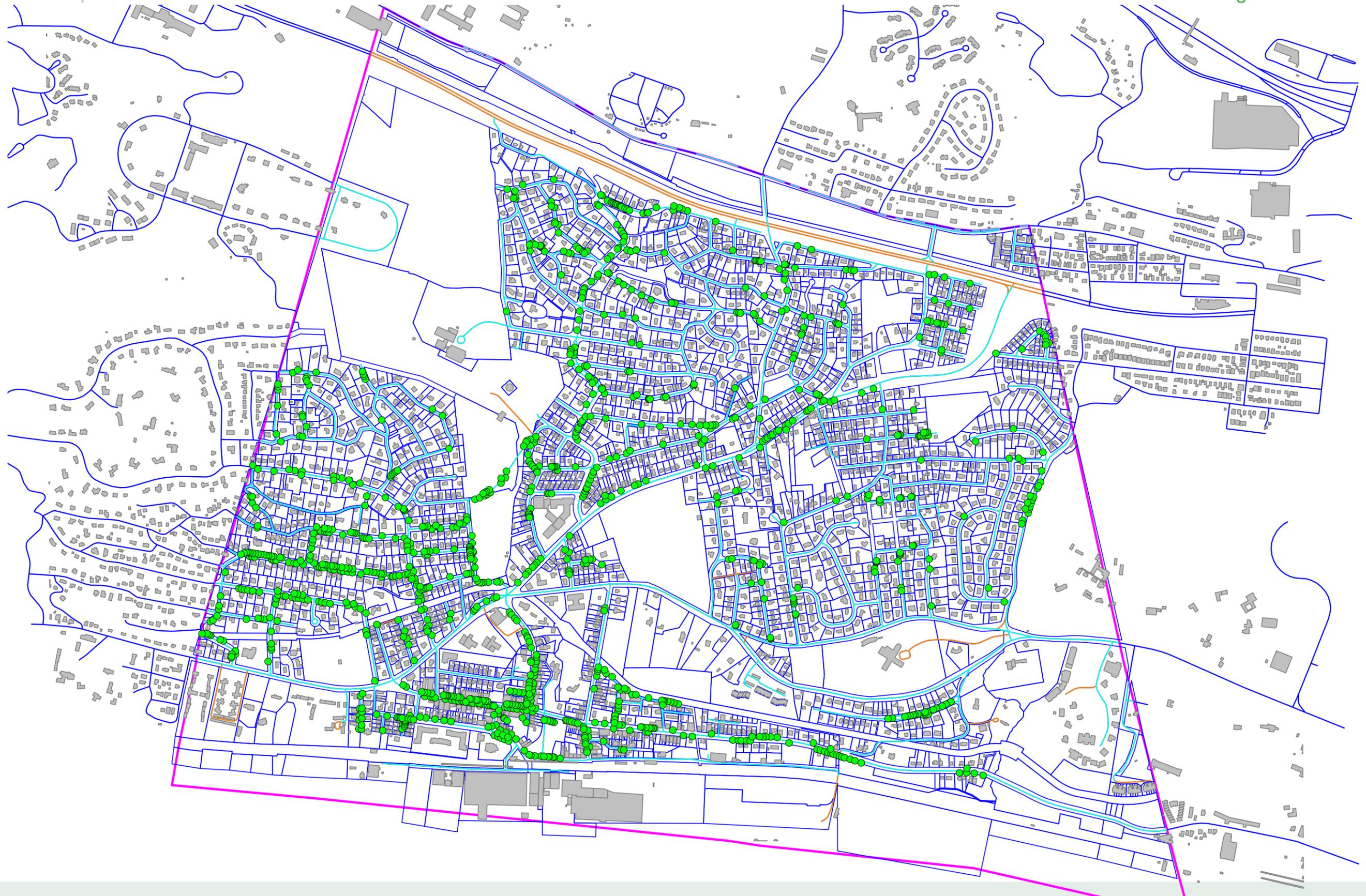
GRADUATE STUDENT ARBORIST TEAMS
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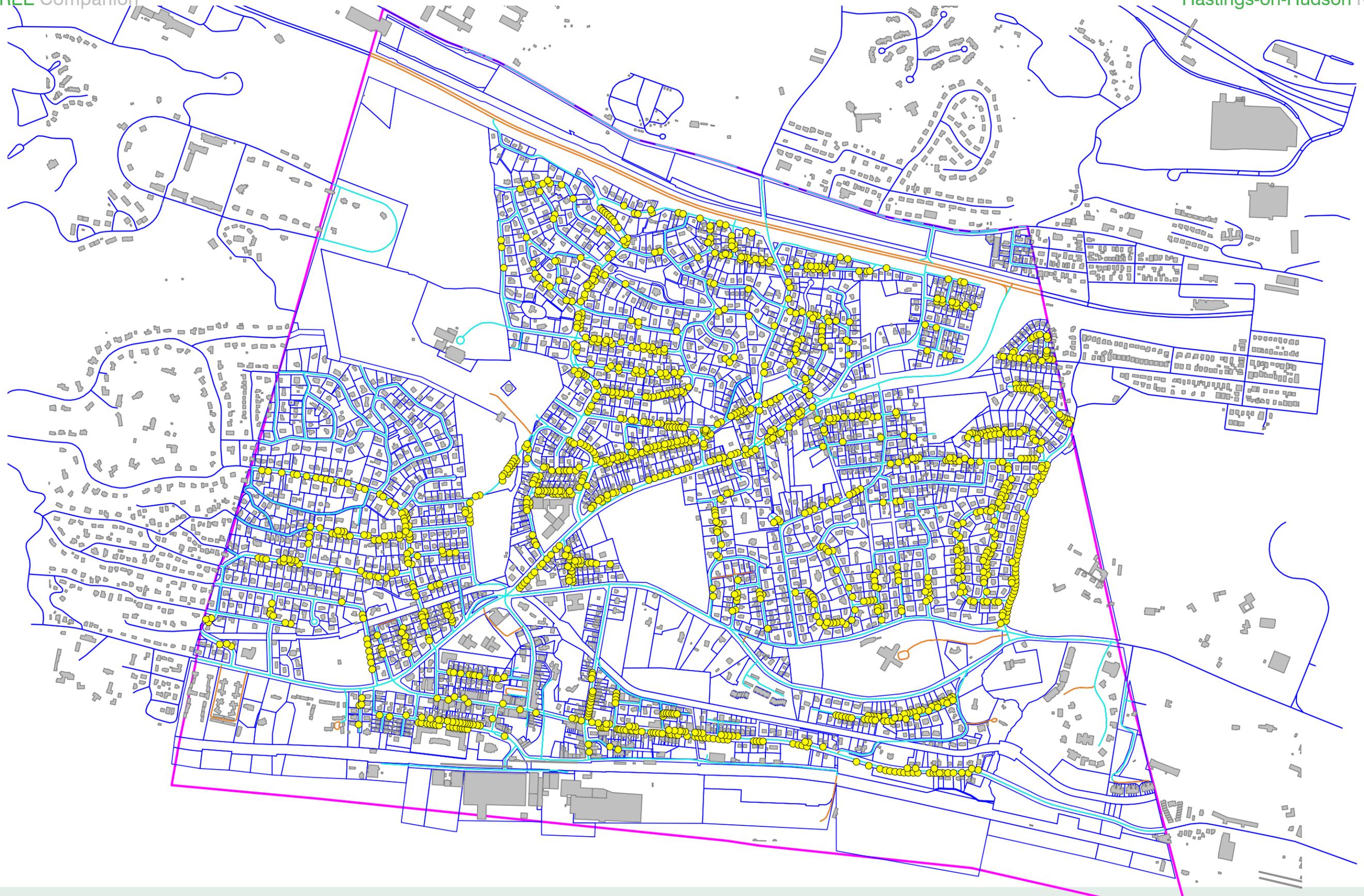
Team	Day	Dates	Compensation	Notes
Team 1 Day 1				
Andrea Haynes		6/29/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Brett Schneiderman		6/29/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Team 1 Day 2				
Andrea Haynes		6/30/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Brett Schneiderman		6/30/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Team 1 Day 3				
Andrea Haynes		7/1/2013	\$37	2 hours only, heavy rain
Brett Schneiderman		7/1/2013	\$37	2 hours only, heavy rain
Team 2 Day 4				
Nicolas Azel		7/13/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Brett Schneiderman		7/13/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Team 3 Day 4				
Andrea Haynes		7/13/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Grant Thompson		7/13/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Team 2 Day 5				
Nicolas Azel		7/14/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Brett Schneiderman		7/14/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Team 3 Day 5				
Andrea Haynes		7/14/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Grant Thompson		7/14/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Team 4 Day 6				
Sara Tsiropinas		8/5/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Brett Schneiderman		8/5/2013	\$150	Field data collection
Totals				
Nicolas Azel		2	\$300	
Andrea Haynes		4.25	\$637	
Brett Schneiderman		5.25	\$787	
Sara Tsiropinas		1	\$150	
Grant Thompson		2	\$300	
Fred Cowett		3	\$600	

Total \$2774

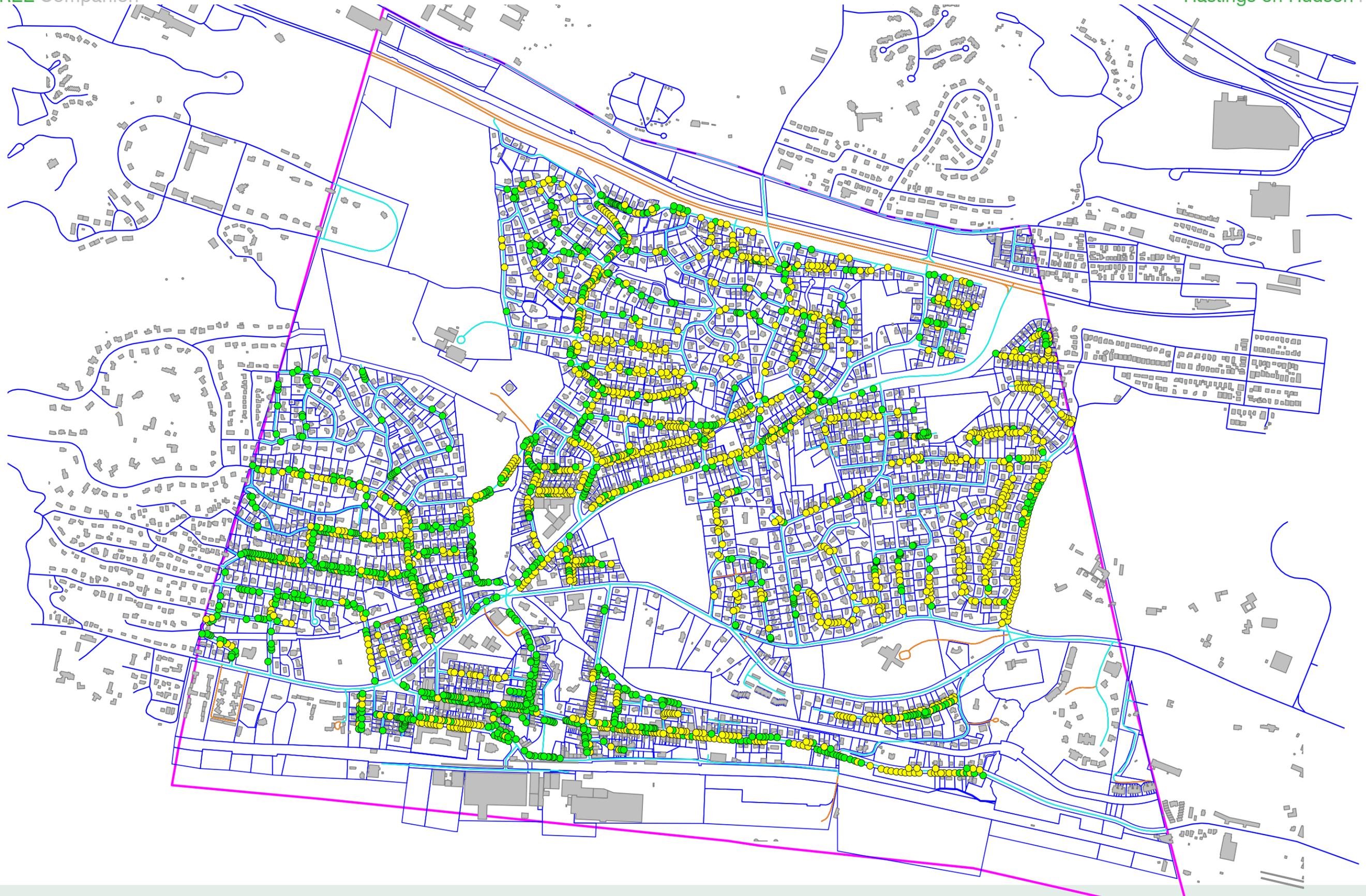
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6/28/2013	63.99	Transportation Team 1 Ithaca to Hastings-on-Hudson
7/1/2013	45.54	Transportation Team 1 Hastings-on-Hudson to Ithaca
7/12/2013	28.94	Transportation Team 2 Ithaca to Hastings-on-Hudson
7/14/2013	40.64	Transportation Team 2 Hastings-on-Hudson to Ithaca
8/4/2013	43.7	Transportation Team 3 Ithaca to Hastings-on-Hudson
8/6/2013	48.23	Transportation Team 3 Hastings-on-Hudson to Ithaca
8/28/2013	64.45	Transportation Brett Schneiderman Ithaca to Hastings-on-Hudson
8/30/2013	43	Transportation Brett Schneiderman Hastings-on-Hudson to Ithaca
10/1/2013	40	Transportation Brett Schneiderman Ithaca to Hastings-on-Hudson
10/2/2013	40	Transportation Brett Schneiderman Hastings-on-Hudson to Ithaca
Tolls		
6/28/2013	5	Tappan Zee Bridge
6/28/2013	1.25	New York State Thruway
7/1/2013	1.25	New York State Thruway
7/12/2013	5	Tappan Zee Bridge
7/12/2013	1.25	New York State Thruway
7/14/2013	1.25	New York State Thruway
8/4/2013	5	Tappan Zee Bridge
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8/6/2013	1.25	New York State Thruway
8/28/2013	5	Tappan Zee Bridge
8/28/2013	1.25	New York State Thruway
8/30/2013	1.25	New York State Thruway
10/1/2013	5	Tappan Zee Bridge
10/1/2013	1.25	New York State Thruway
10/2/2013	1.25	New York State Thruway
Tools		
6/19/2013	308.59	Garmin GPSMap 62 (one)
7/12/2013	5.99	Batteries
Totals		
Gas	458.49	
Tolls	34	
Tools	314.58	
Total \$807.07		
Gas, Tolls, & Tools 807.07 Village of Hastings-on-Hudson Street Tree Inventory Urban Forestry Grant T304794 Brett Schneiderman bs523@cornell.edu		

Total Expenses as of 10/1/2013
\$2774 + \$807.07 = \$3581.07

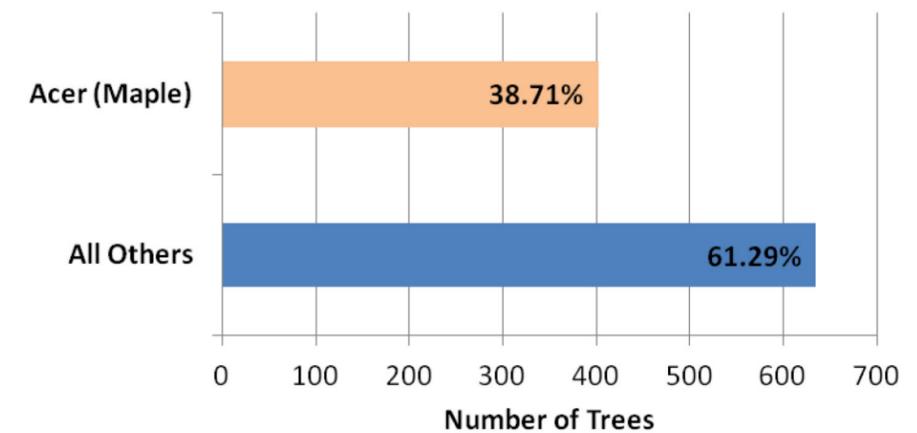
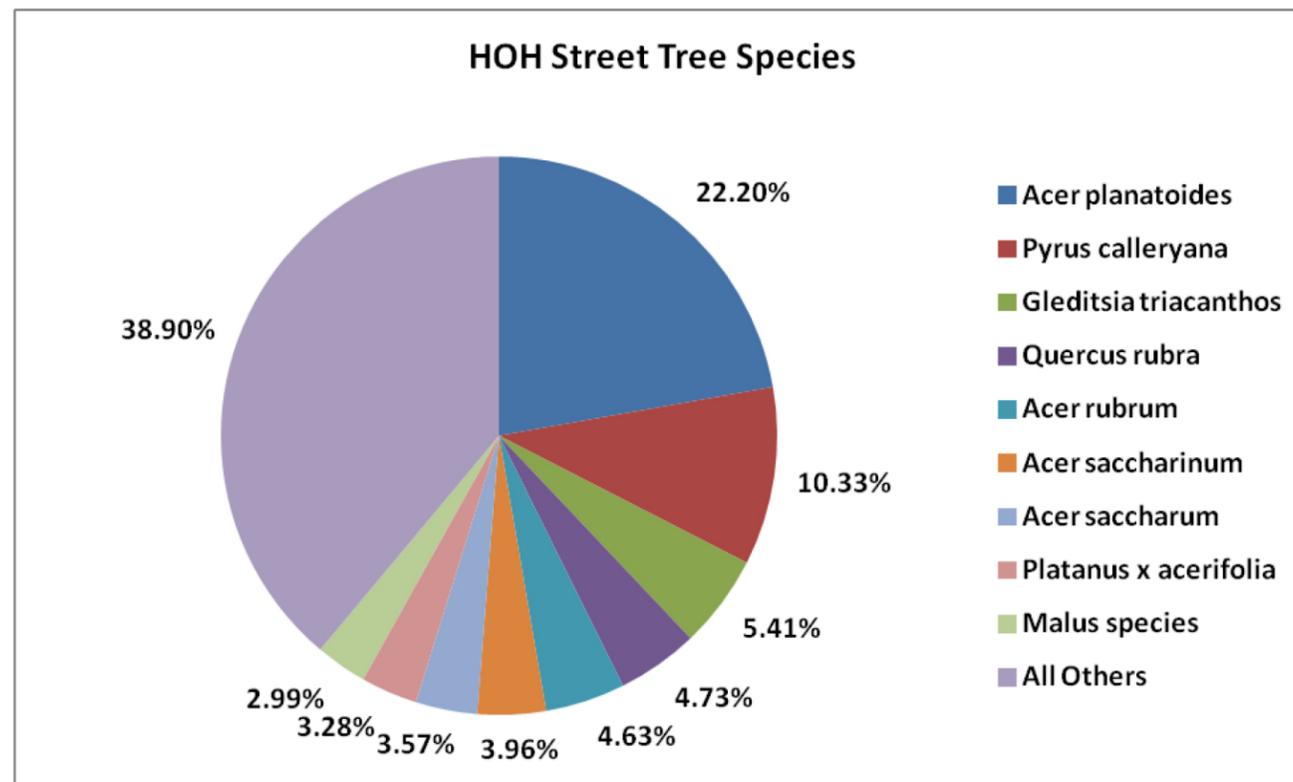




Street Tree Planting Spaces in Hastings-on-Hudson, New York



Diversity can reduce the impact of catastrophic tree loss in individual neighborhoods and across the overall population of street trees. Responding to catastrophic street tree losses from Chestnut Blight and Dutch Elm Disease, arbor restoration strategies looked towards increasing diversity in street tree populations and to using species cultivars with proven improved resistances to diseases or pests.



When selecting trees to plant, select trees that diversify the overall street tree population to help improve resilience to diseases, pests, and catastrophe.

Biodiversity 30 - 20 - 10 Rule of Thumb:

- select trees to plant for a total population of no more than 30% of trees in the same FAMILY
- select trees to plant for a total population of no more than 20% of trees of the same GENERA
- select trees to plant for a total population of no more than 10% of trees of the same SPECIES

These street trees are for planting in small tree pits and tree lawns
for streets with smaller and restricted planting spaces
for planting beneath overhead utility wires

Mature Canopy	Tree	Common Name	Cultivars	Notes
30'	<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>	American Hornbeam	Palisade	yellow orange fall foliage
25'	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	Eastern Redbud	Forest Pansy	must be tree form
20'	<i>Cornus mas</i>	Cornelian Cherry	Golden Glory	must be tree form
20'	<i>Cotinus obovatus</i>	American Smoketree		must be single stem tree form
25'	<i>Crataegus phaenopyrum</i>	Washington Hawthorn		the cultivar Washington Lustre has fewer thorns
20'	<i>Crataegus viridis</i>	Winter King	Winter King	leaves resilient to cedar hawthorne rust
35'	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	Thornless Honeylocust	var. <i>inermis</i> 'Impcole' Imperial	seedless
30'	<i>Koelreuteria paniculata</i>	Goldenrain Tree	Summerburst	summerburst better heat resistance
30'	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i> 'Clyfrdgorm'	Sweet Gum	Emerald Sentinel	dwarf columnar street tree
30'	<i>Maackia amurensis</i>	Amur Maackia	MaacNificent	symmetrical upright vase shape branching
20'	<i>Malus spp.</i>	Floweing Crabapple	Adams	round canopy; deep pink, profuse flower
18'	<i>Malus spp.</i>		Adirondack	vase canopy; white flower; excel. disease resistance
20'	<i>Malus spp.</i>		Donald Wyman	white flowers
20'	<i>Malus spp.</i>		Prarie Fire	oval canopy; pink -red flower; excel. disease resistance
20'	<i>Malus spp.</i>		Professor Sprenger	pink buds, white fragrant flowers
20'	<i>Malus spp.</i>		Purple Prince	rose red flowers; maroon fruit
20'	<i>Malus spp.</i>		Sugar Tyme	good tree
28'	<i>Parrotia persica</i>	Persian Parrotia	Ruby Vase	more upright and narrow, bright fall color
25'	<i>P. sargentii x subhirtella</i>	Accolade Flowering Cherry	Prunus 'Accolade'	more disease resistant than most flowering cherries
20'	<i>Robina pseudoacacia</i> 'Globe'	Globe Black Locust	Globe	cultivar is a small to 20' black locust, less borer susceptible
30'	<i>Robina pseudoacacia</i> 'Bessoniana'	Bessoniana Black Locust	Bessoniana	cultivar is a small to 30' black locust, less borer susceptible
25'	<i>Syrina reticulata</i>	Japanese Tree Lilac	Ivory Silk, Summer Charm	creamy white panicle flowers
20'	<i>Tilia cordata</i> 'Halka'	Little Leaf Linden	Summer Sprite	Summer Sprite is a semi-dwarf
35'	<i>Zelkova serrata</i> 'Schmidtlow'	Wireless Japanese Zelkova	Wireless	broad spreading vase canopy
20	<i>Zelkova serrata</i> 'JFS-KW1'	City Sprite Japanese Zelkova	City Sprite	smaller oval to vase canopy

Use this tree selection guide as a basis to find the right tree for small planting spaces

Increase biodiversity by planting a variety of trees from this list. Look for available cultivars

Reference Companion Manual: Recommended Urban Trees: Site Assessment and Tree Selection for Stress Tolerance

Urban Horticulture Institute, Cornell University

These street trees are for planting in tree pits and tree lawns
for streets with larger tree pits and tree lawns
with no overhead utility wires

Mature Canopy	Tree	Common Name	Cultivars	Notes
40'	<i>Aesculus x carnea</i>	Red Horsechestnut	Briotii, Fort McNair	Do not plant <i>A. hippocastanum</i>
50'	<i>Betula nigra</i> ' Cully'	Heritage River Birch	Cully	resistant to bronze birch borer
50'	<i>Betula nigra</i> ' BNMTF'	Dura-Heat River Birch	BNMTF	good heat tolerance and borer resistance
35'	<i>Carpinus betulus</i>	European Hornbeam	Columnaris	upward branching
40'	<i>Carpinus betulus</i>	European Hornbeam	Emerald Avenue	28' wide canopy
35'	<i>Carpinus betulus</i>	European Hornbeam	Franz Fontain	15' wide canopy narrowest available
50'	<i>Celtis laevigata</i>	Sugar Hackberry	Magnifica	cultivar has little to no fruit
50'	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	Common Hackberry	Prarie Pride, Prarie Sentinel	cultivars more compact
50'	<i>Cladrastis kentukea</i>	Yellowwood		specify single stem, prune only in summer
60'	<i>Eucommia ulmoides</i>	Hardy Rubber Tree		rounded to broad spreading canopy
50'	<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	Ginkgo		many male (non-fruiting) cultivars
50'	<i>Gymnocladus dioicus</i>	Kentucky Coffee Tree	Espresso	cultivar is male (non-fruiting) form
30'	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	American Sweetgum	Emerald Sentinel	12' narrow columnar canopy
45'	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	American Sweetgum	Happidaze	maroon fall color
50'	<i>Maclura pomifera var. inermis</i>	Osage Orange	Whiteshield	cultivar is thornless male
70'	<i>Metasequoia glyptostroboides</i>	Dawn Redwood		look for cultivars that are narrow
50'	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	Black Tupelo		Red Rage cultivar is resistant to leaf spot
45'	<i>Phellodendron amurense</i>	Amur Corktree	Macho	cultivar is male (non-fruiting) form
45'	<i>Phellodendron amurense</i>	Amur Corktree	Shademaster	good branching structure
40'	<i>Prunus sargentii</i>	Sargent Cherry	Pink Flair JFS-KW58	narrower vase form
45'	<i>Quercus robur x bicolor</i>	English Oak Hybrid	Regal Prince	columnar to narrow oval form
40'	<i>Styohnolobium japonicum</i>	Japanese Pagoda Tree	Millstone, Princeton Upright	the cultivar Regent is resistant to leaf hoppers
60'	<i>Ulmus japonica x wilsoniana</i>	Accolade Elm	Accolade 'Morton'	use elm hybrids for disease resistance
60'	<i>U. Japonica x U. wilsoniana</i>	Commendation Elm	Commendation	use elm hybrids for disease resistance
60'	<i>U. Japonica x U. wilsoniana</i>	Danada Charm Elm	Danada Charm	use elm hybrids for disease resistance
70'	<i>Ulmus parvifolia</i>	Lacebark Elm	many available	Dynasty has upright vase canopy, Bosque

Use this tree selection guide as a basis to find the right tree for medium planting spaces.

Increase biodiversity by planting a variety of trees from this list. Look for available cultivars

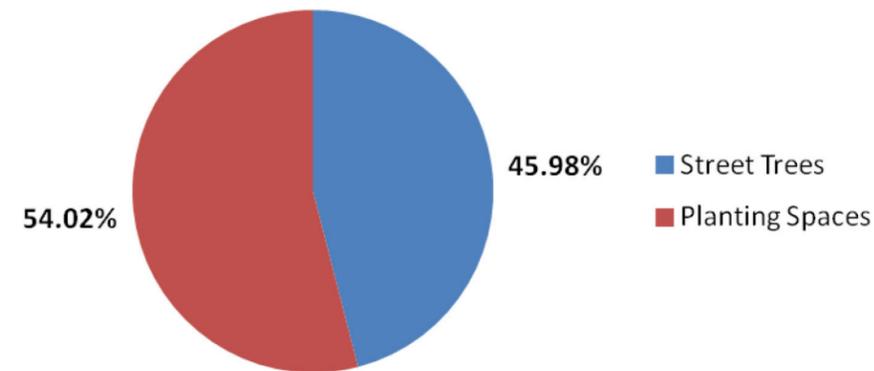
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These trees are for planting in open spaces and parks
with no overhead utility wires

Mature Canopy	Tree	Common Name	Cultivars	Notes
60	<i>Catalpa speciosa</i>	Catalpa		fruit litter can be a nuisance
60	<i>Cercidiphyllum japonicum</i>	Katsura		this tree requires a planting site with ample water
40	<i>Cercidiphyllum japonicum</i>	Red Fox Katsura Tree	Rotfuchs	ample water needed, upright oval canopy
90	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>	Tulip Poplar		
55	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> 'Emerald City'	Emerald City Tulip poplar	Emerald City	Tighter canopy spread
80	<i>Platanus x acerifolia</i>	London Plane	Bloodgood	tolerates severe pruning
90	<i>Platanus x acerifolia</i>	London Plane	Columbia & Liberty	better disease resistance
80	<i>Platanus x acerifolia</i>	London Plane	Exclamation	very clean tree, good tree
50	<i>Quercus acutissima</i>	Sawtooth Oak		oval to broad rounded canopy at maturity
70	<i>Quercus bicolor</i>	Swamp White Oak		
70	<i>Quercus coccinea</i>	Scarlet Oak		wide street lawn or parks due to size
70	<i>Quercus robur</i>	English Oak	Forest Knight	Straight species for parks, smaller cultivars for street

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Stocking percentage for street trees in Hastings-on-Hudson

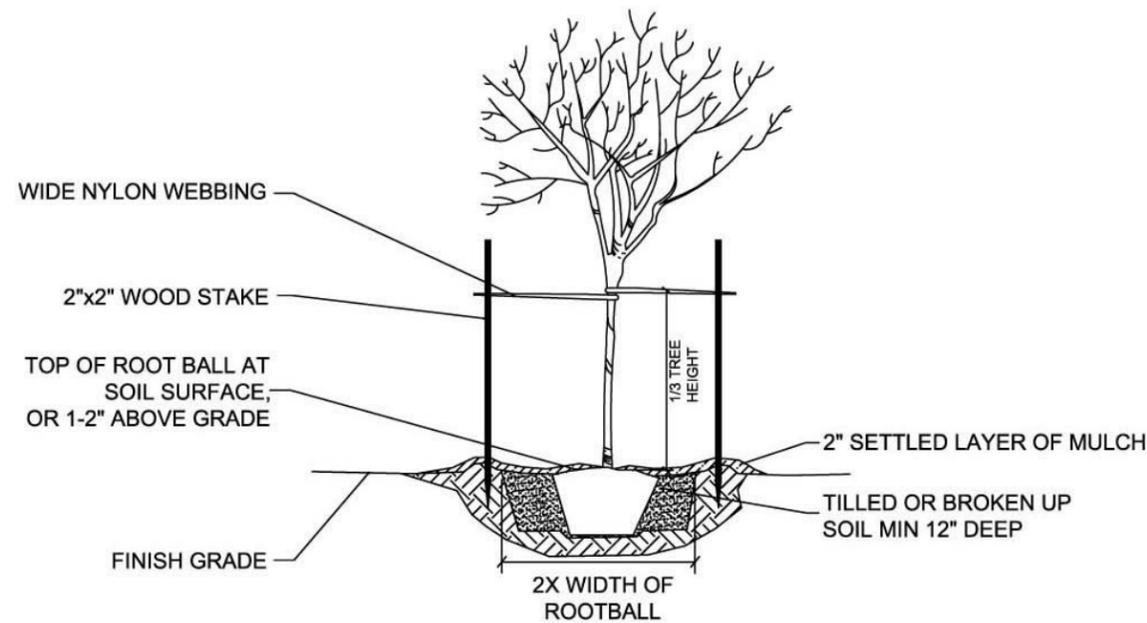
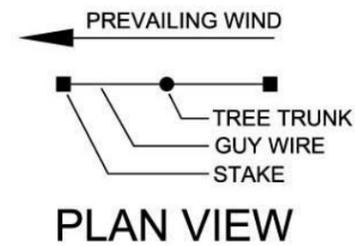
Healthy trees need a large volume of non-compacted soil with adequate drainage and aeration and reasonable fertility. Only plant a tree where it is compatible to mature in the planting space provided.

Refer to the Hastings On Hudson Street Tree Inventory for the current population biodiversity. Use the street tree selection guides to choose trees to plant that represent new tree families, genera, species, and cultivars.

Carry this strategy into an urban forestry management plan towards achieving healthy and beautiful arbors for future generations to enjoy in Hastings On Hudson, NY.

Record all new street tree plantings and tree removals to update the Street Tree Inventory!

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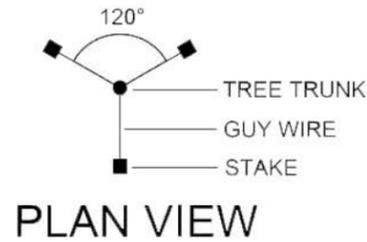
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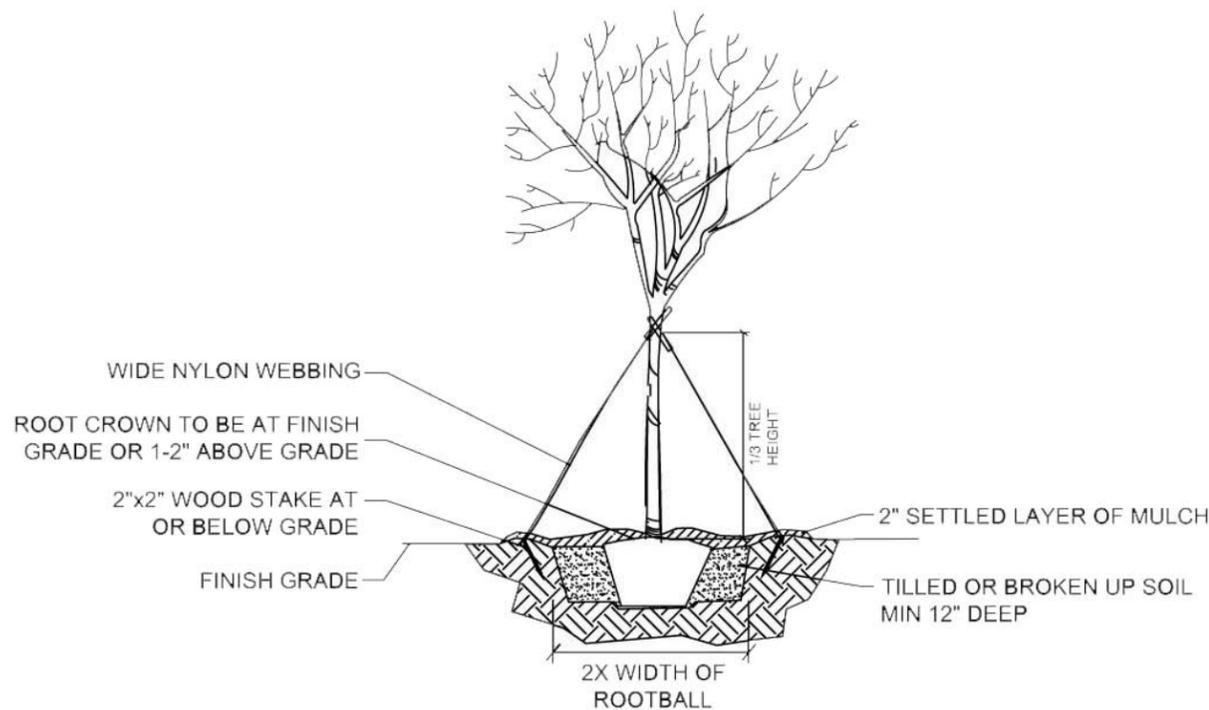
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Small Tree Planting
for new trees with a trunk caliper diameter less than 2"



PLAN VIEW

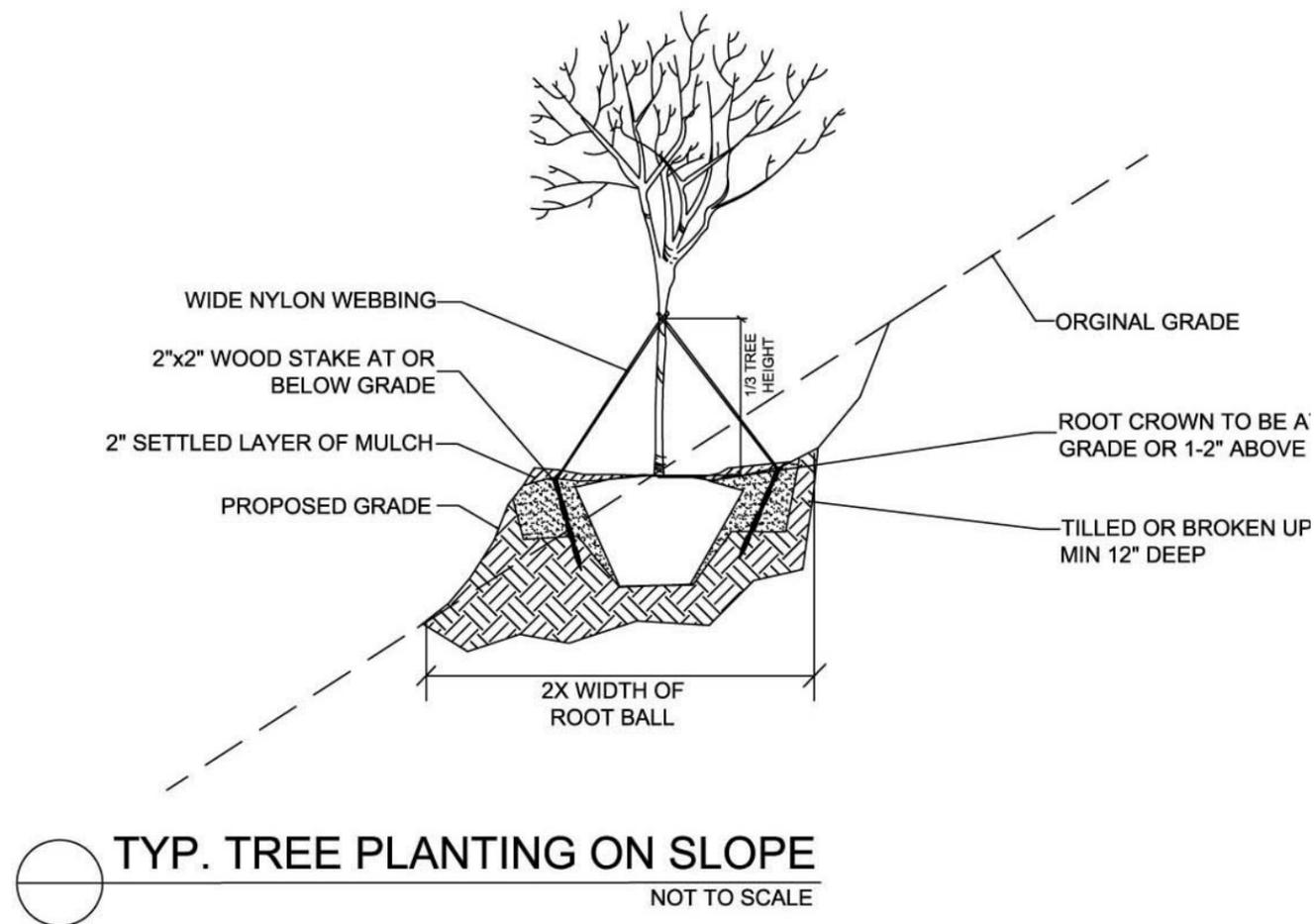


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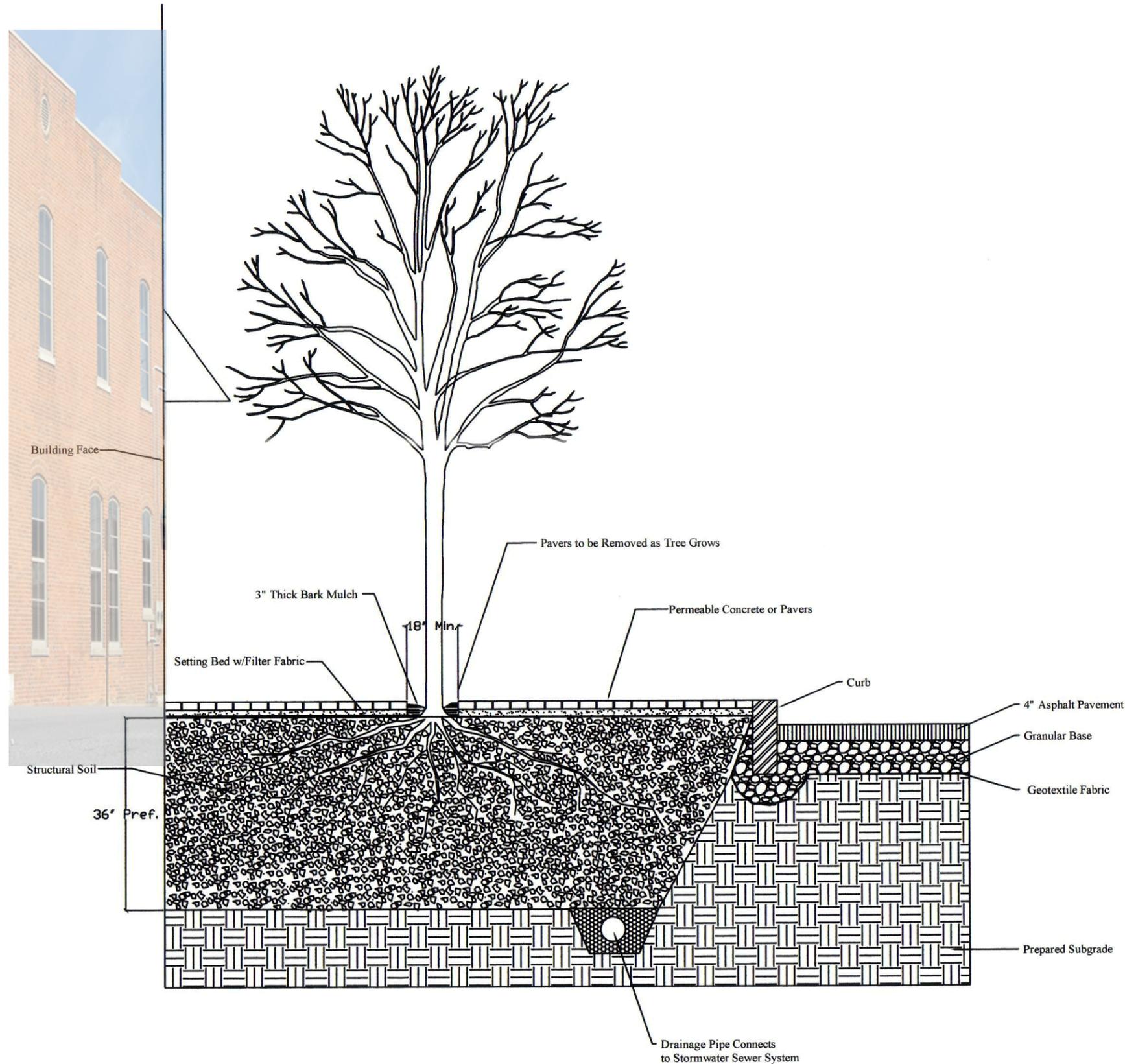
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Benefits:
Improved Stormwater Management
Increased Tree Rooting Area
Improved Tree Health and Safety

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Use as a base course beneath pavement in areas adjacent to small and medium planting spaces for the purpose of providing increased rooting area with adequate drainage.

Meets load bearing requirements for base courses under pavement.

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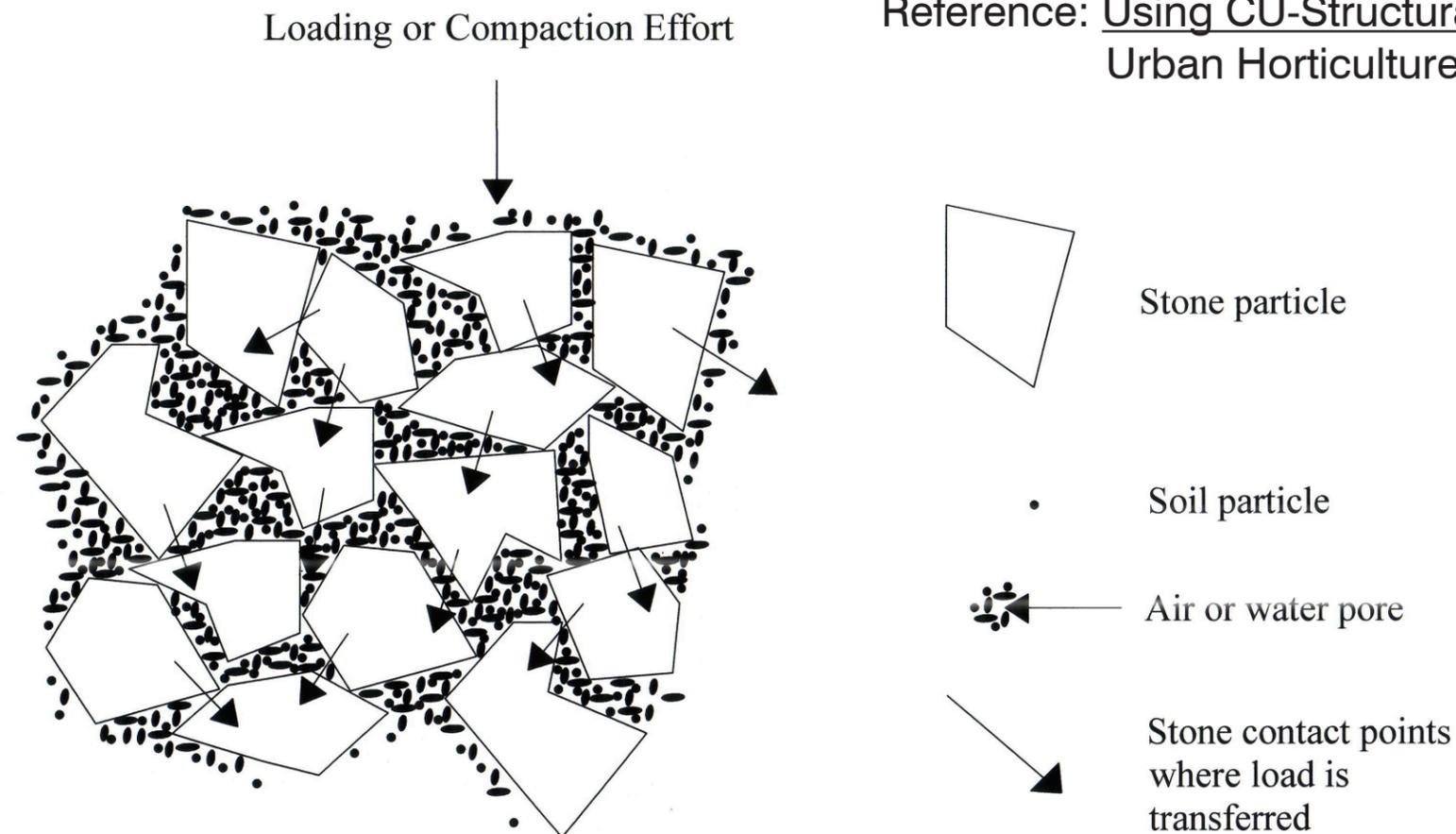
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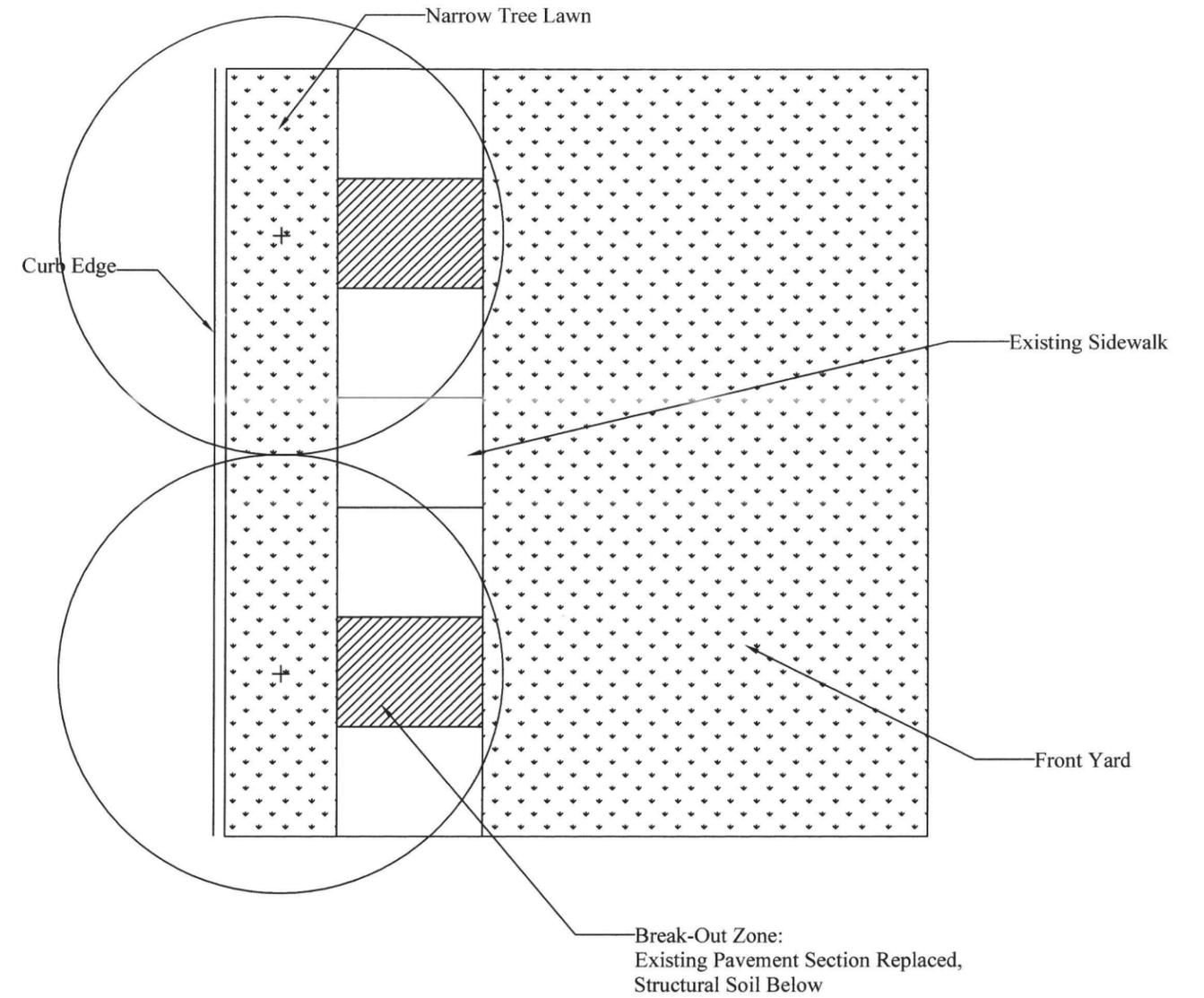
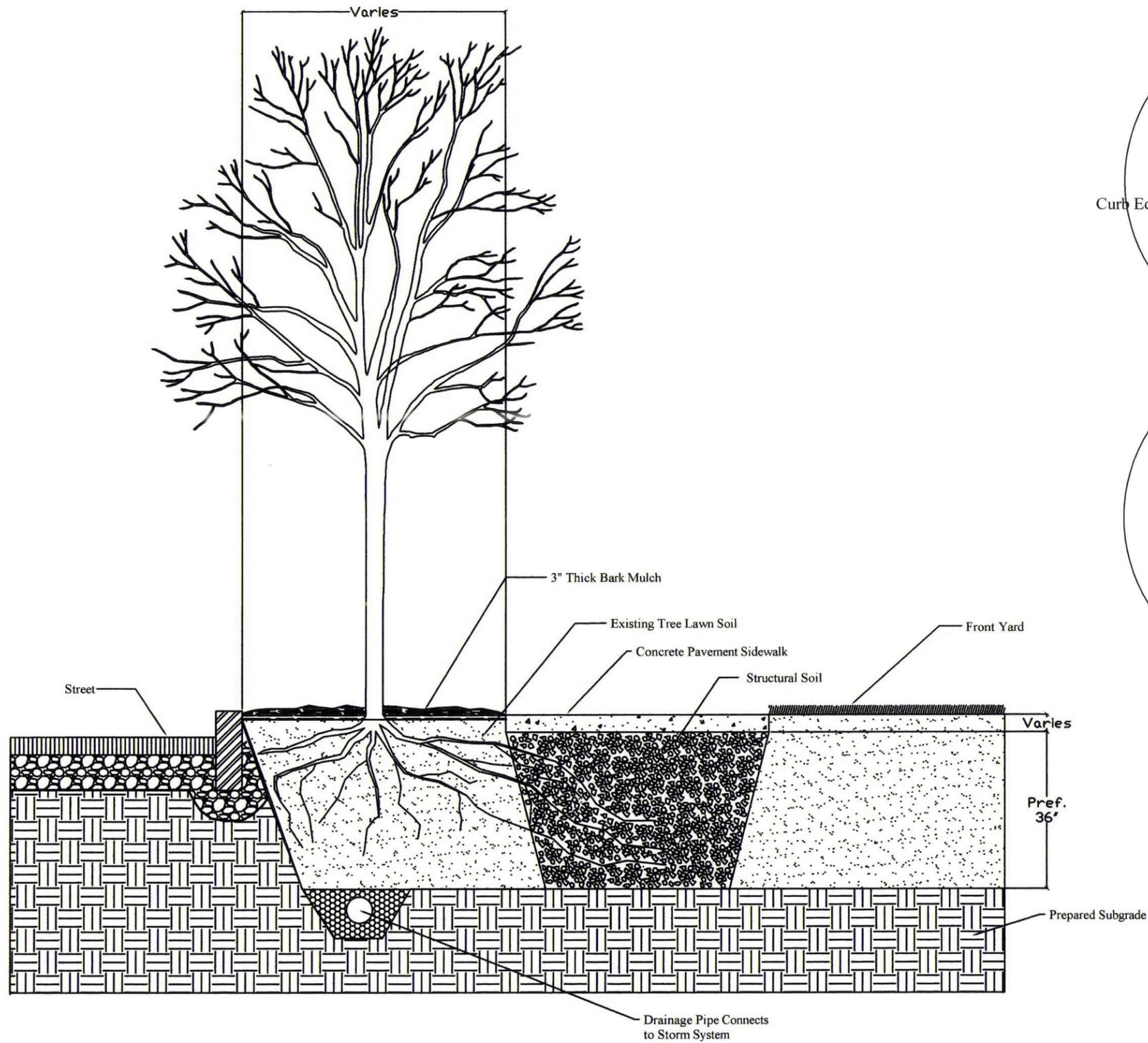
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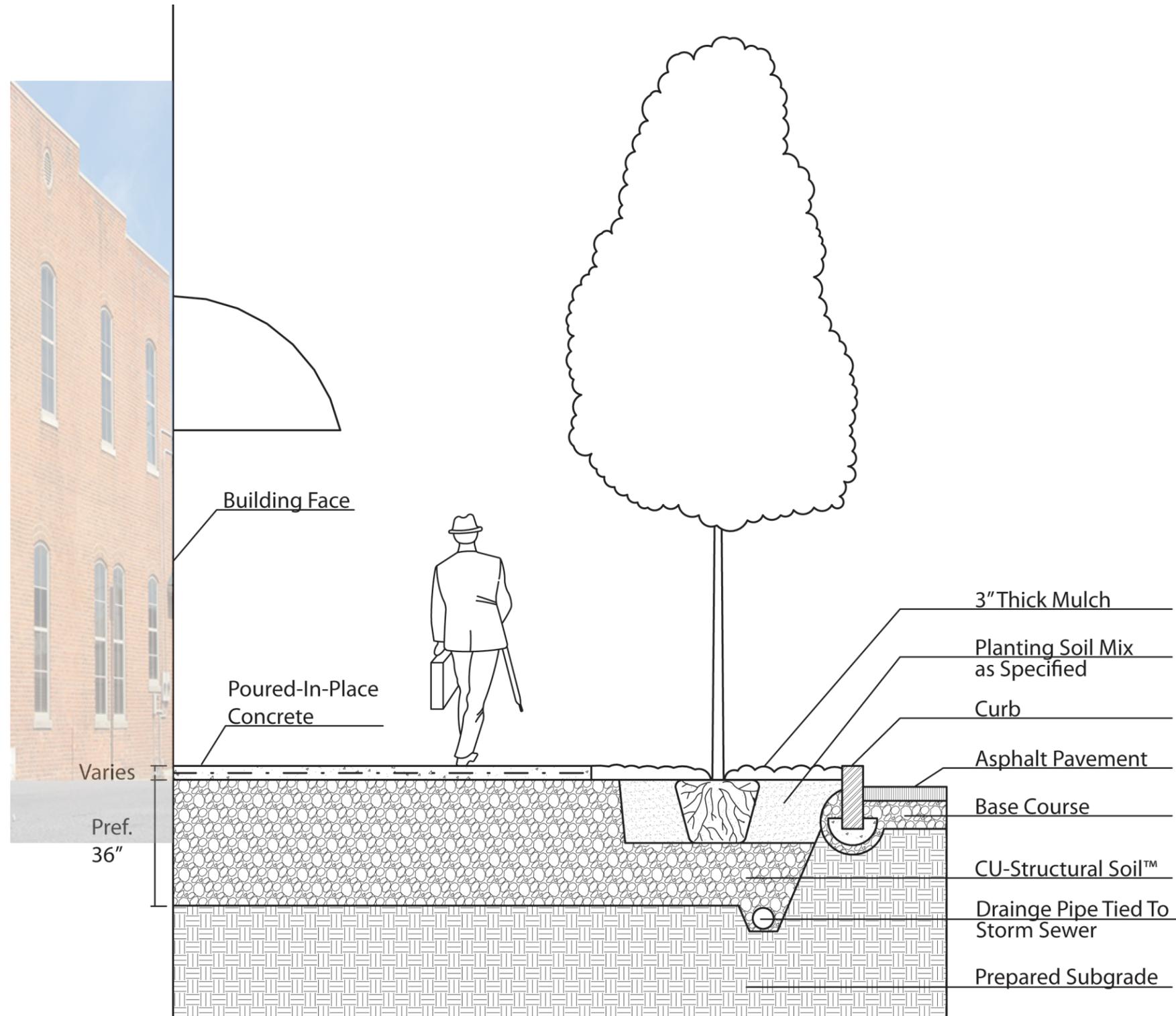


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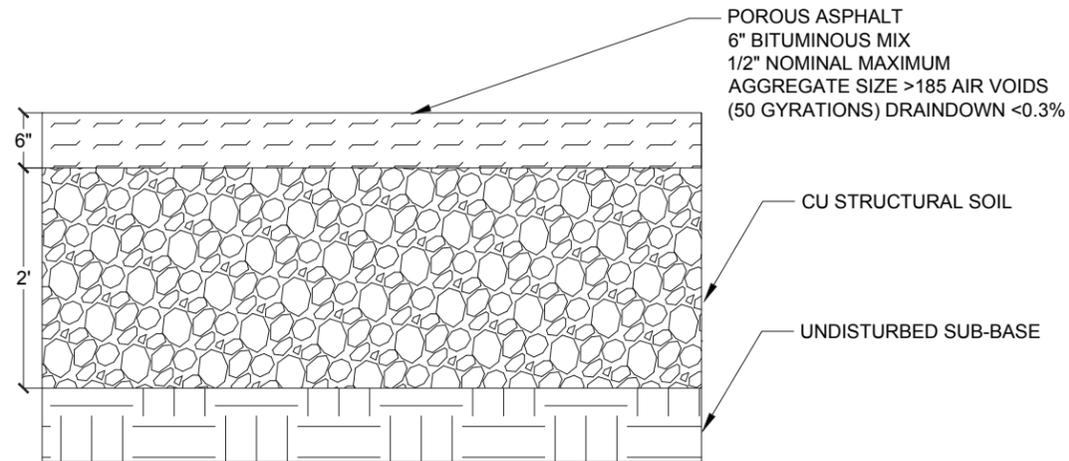
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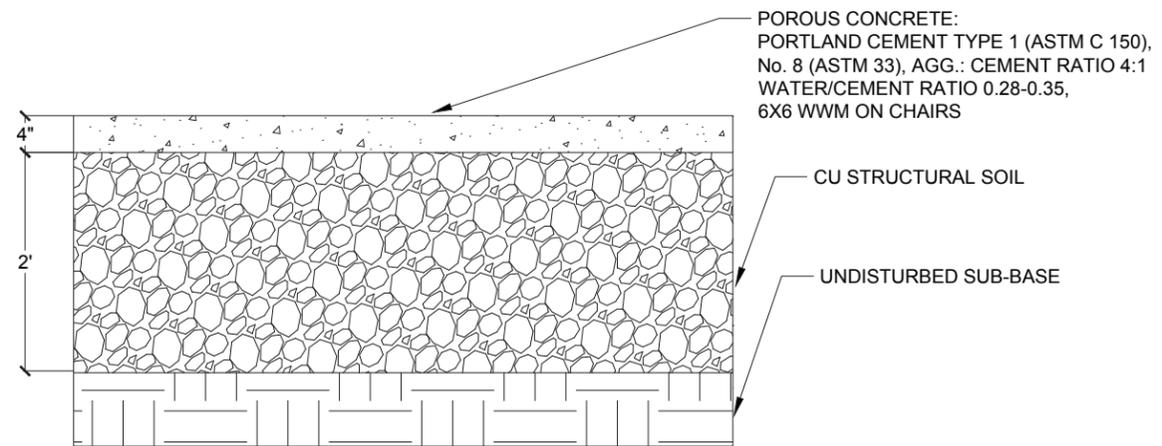


Ammend small planting spaces using structural soil as a base course beneath adjacent pavement areas providing increased rooting area with adequate drainage.

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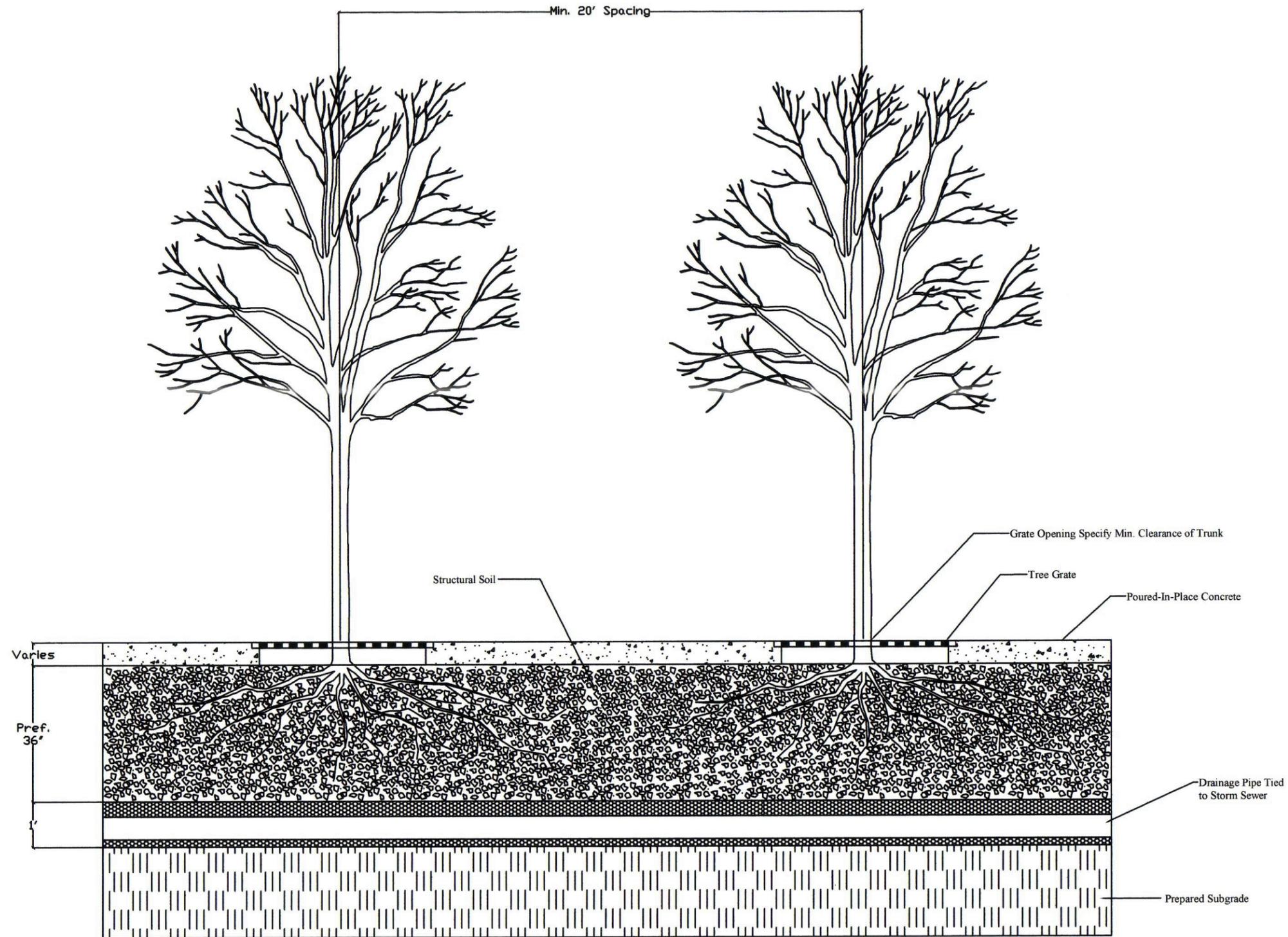
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Moving Forward...

Read the [Street Tree Inventory Report](#)

Familiarize village officials & the Department of Public Works with the Street Tree Inventory Spreadsheet

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Refine the Street Tree Inventory through field observations

Create a plan for inspecting trees in the inventory designated 'Consult Arborist'

Use the information in the Street Tree Inventory Report and the Street Tree Companion in village planning activities

Provide the Department of Public Works with advanced training and tools for street tree pruning, planting, and emergency response removals

Create a database for important trees in public parks and open spaces

Potential Community Activities:

Adopt-a-Street-Tree neighborhood programs

Create a Champion Tree database to record the largest trees of each kind throughout the village

Report any sightings of Emerald Ash Borer and the Asian Longhorned Beetle

Continue outdoor education

Involve both the elder and youth generations in Hastings-on-Hudson, New York



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