

RESPONSE TO TIMBER TRESPASS REPORT
by Connwood Foresters, Inc (SNEW)
for 220 Nod Hill Rd Wilton

June 23, 2020

Further to the Timber Trespass Report ("The Report"), we will not address all the discrepancies here but wish to note a few points ahead of Thursdays hearing.

1. The Report estimated the trees removed by studying properties other than 220 Nod Hill Road.
2. The Report does not take into account the condition of 220 Nod Hill Road when we took possession in August of 2018. Nor does it take into account tree removal by prior owners or other conditions specific to 220 Nod Hill Road that pre-dated our ownership.
3. The Report bases its acreage calculation on GPS and aerial photographs, whereas our measurements are based on the 2020 survey by Ryan and Faulds.
4. Because The Report did not rely on the 2020 survey, it significantly overstates the size of the disturbed area. Specifically, it states that the disturbed area was 0.29 acres whereas the disturbed area is in fact 0.12 acres. See Kate Throckmorton's February 8, 2021, Project Narrative Report, p.2 *and* Kate Throckmorton's June 23, 2021, Supplement, pp.1.
5. The allegation that forty-three (43) large and nineteen (19) small trees were removed from SNEW's land is incorrect. The total number of trees removed was nineteen (19), of which between two (2) and five (5) were on SNEW's land. Please refer to Kate Throckmorton's February 8, 2021, Project Narrative Report, p.2 *and* Kate Throckmorton's June 23, 2021, Supplement, pp.1-2.
6. The photograph of the stump on page 7 of The Report is on SNEW land, close to the water. It was there when we took ownership of 220 Nod Hill Road. If it is evidence of anything, it is evidence that one or more trees were removed *before* we took ownership.

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