

# Vegetation Control Service, Inc.

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April 1st, 2023

Town of Lyme One High Street PO Box 342 Lyme, NH 03768

To Selectman/Mayor/or Town Manager

Please be advised, that New Hampshire Electric Co-op (NHEC) and its contractor consultant, Vegetation Control Service, Inc. (VCS) intends to selectively apply herbicides to undesirable vegetation growing within power line rights of way corridors located in your community.

This treatment will be performed by experienced, State of NH Certified Applicators, authorized by Special Permit #\_039\_\_\_, issued by the NH Division of Pesticide Control. In compliance with State of NH, Code of Administrative Rules, Pes 505.06 regarding public notification of herbicide treatments to rights of way, we have enclosed the following for your information and review.

- Copies of the "Herbicide Use Notification", including the identification of the power lines scheduled for treatment, herbicide products to be used and an attached returnable coupon for those individuals who desire personal notification or may want to advise us of a sensitive area of concern near the right of way.
- Copy of the topographical maps, depicting the location of the power line, rights of way intended for treatment.
- Copies of (NHEC) door hanger notification of herbicide spraying to be left with each power line right of way abutter along with a copy of the "Herbicide Use Notification".

In addition to this enclosed notice, the "Herbicide Use Notice" will be published in a newspaper of State wide circulation and those of local circulation, to help inform the public. We encourage you however, to post this notice in customary places of public notification including town websites as you deem appropriate.

We would also request that you submit a copy of this notification to your local Health Board or Water Department

If you have any questions, comments or concerns about the actual herbicide treatment program, please feel free to contact me at 603-325-3227, during the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday thru Friday.

If you have questions concerning NHEC's lines, poles, facilities or general information relating to utility issues, please contact:

Brad Arnesen, Utility Arborist

603-536-8688

New Hampshire Electric Co-op

579 Tenney Mountain Highway

Plymouth, NH 03264

Telephone: Monday thru Friday, 6:00 am to 3:30 pm

On behalf of NHE CO-OP, we thank you in advance for your assistance and cooperation with this project.

Sincerely,

Mike Couture, Vegetation Control Service, Inc.

**NHEC Project Manager** 

1-603-325-3227/mcouture@vegetationcontrol.com

Enclosed (s):

- Herbicide Use Notification/Return Coupons
- Topographical Map
- NHE CO-OP Abutter Door Hangers

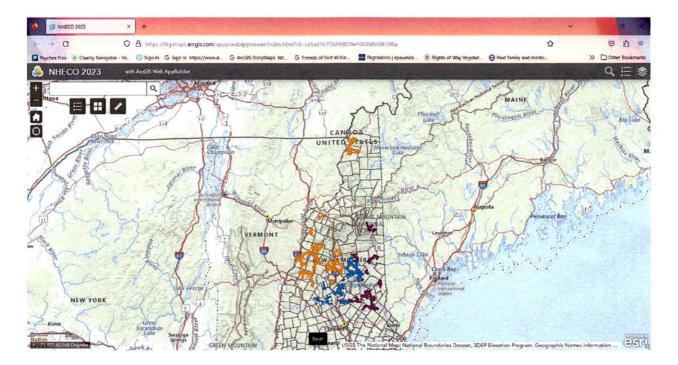
## 2023 NHEC Maps

In addition to the required maps mailed to your municipality at a 1:24,000 Scale, it is now possible to view the rights-of-way scheduled for 2023, in more detail on a web map.

#### https://vegetationcontrol.com/nhec-maps/

The map works very much like google maps, but it is customized to search only the information added to the base map.

- 1. Start by searching for a town
- 2. Zoom in to the location
- 3. Click on the powerline or pole to see details in a popup box



### HERBICIDE USE NOTI FICAT ION

NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTRIC CO-OP (NHEC) intends to apply herbicides along various power-line rights-of-way during 2023. The following herbicides: Escort XP (Metsulfuron Methyl), Garlon 4 Ultra (Triclopyr), Krenite S (Fosamine Ammonium), On Deck (Dicamba and 2,4-D) and Clash (Dicamba) may be used for treatment. Treatments are scheduled to commence on or about the 1st of July 2023. The following lines, taps and their respective municipalities are scheduled for treatment:

TOWN	LINE	TOWN	LINE	TOWN	LINE	TOWN	LINE
Acworth	2,8		1,2,30,117,122,140,	Lee	R3	Pittsfield	3
Alexandria	12 20,304,305,308,315,	Center Harbor	142,144,160,161,162 ,163,164,169		2, 13 1, 2X	Plymouth	3,5,10,11,13,14,15, 16,17,18
Alton	316, 325	Danbury	12	Londonderry	15	Rumney	8,12,14,15,17,72,74, 75,76
Andover	4,12,15,16,17,20,21, 22,23,24	Deerneid Derry	3 . 15, 28	Lyme Madison	10, 11	Salisbury	23, 24, 25
Ashland	30	Dixville	3	Marlow	3, 13	Sanbornton	127, 128, 129
Aubum	15	Dorchester	8,9,76	Meredith	117,123,127,128,140		1,2,7,122,142,144,
Barnstead	2,3,20,315	Eaton	10,11		,144,145,146,147	Sandwich	145,146,147,153,160
Bartlett	6,8,9	Epsom	3		1,2,122,142,144,145,		161,162,163,164,169
Belmont	8,9,19,300	Farmington	315	Moultonboro	146,147,150,153,160		6, 7, 9
Benton	8X, 72	Freedom	10,11		,161,162,163	Sugar Hill	1.
Bridgewater	20,30,31	Gilmanton	300,309,310,312	New Durham	304,313,314,315,316	Tamworth	10, 11
Bristol	30	Grafton	7,77	Newport	6	Thornton	50, 51
Brookfield	6	Hanover	9 .	Northfield	8, 9, 19	Tilton	128 ·
Campton	10,12,13	Haverhill	4,5 ·	Northwood	3	Tuftonboro	166
Canterbury	8	Hebron	18	Nottingham	R2, R3, 13	Unity	2,8
Canaan	9,76,77	Hill	12	Orange	<i>77</i> .	Wakefield	6
Claremont	6	Holdemess	10,13,30,32,35 .	Orford	8X, 9	Warren	7, 8X, 72
Clarksville	.6	Jackson	2,3,4,5,6	Ossipee	10, 11	Washington	3, 14
Colebrook	1,2,3,4,9	Kingston	17,18	Plainfield	6	Wentworth	8, 8X, 72, 76
Columbia	4	Langdon	8	Piermont	8X	Wilmot	4, 12, 20

NHEC lines can be identified by a metal tag attached to the pole with the following letter initials "NHE CO-OP" followed by a line identification number and a pole number usually immediately under the co-op label.

In accordance with the N.H. Division of Pesticide Control Regulations, individual landowners whose receive individual notification, fill out the attached Notification Request Coupon and return to the address as indicated below no later than JUNE 1st, 2023. Requests received after this date will not be considered for this treatment cycle.

In addition to the written notification, individual landowners whose property abuts or over whose property the right-of-way passes, have the right to request and receive the approximate date, (within 5 days before or 5 days after the act ualdate of application) that herbicides will be or have been applied in your area.

Further information may be requested by contacting: VCS (Consultant to NHEC) Michael Couture, Project Manager - 2342 Main Street, Athol, MA 01331, Telephone 603-325-3227.

NAME:	QUEST: TOWN OF AFFECTED PROPERTY:				
STREET:	TOWN:STATE: ZIP:				
TELEPHONE: DAY	IGHT:				
UTILITY INTITIALS ON POLE	NUMBERS				
REQUESTING: [ ] 30 DAY PRIOR WRITIEN NOTIFICATION [ ] 5 DAY BEFORE OR 5 DAY POST APPLICATIO	ON NOTIFICATION				
supplies and any other environmentally sensitive areas	each landowner or resident to make VCS aware of the location of potentially affected private water where herbicide application should be further restricted.				
If Tending or Well	Send Coupons to: VCS C/O Michael Couture, Project Manager, 2342 Main Street, Athol, MA 0133				
[ ] Spring or Well [ ] Crops or Pasture	Send Coupons to: VCS C/O Michael Couture, Project Manager, 2342 Main Street, Athol, MA 0133				

### - NOTICE

to Homeowners Along Electric Distribution Rights of Way



New Hampshire Electric Co-op (NHEC) has contracted with Vegetation Control Service, Inc. (VCS) to conduct an Herbicide Application Program on or adjacent to your property. VCS is an industry leader with 40 years of herbicide application experience in right of way maintenance programs.

application experience in right of way maintenance programs. This herbicide application will be part of NHEC's Integrated Vegetation Management Program (IVMP). A selective herbicide application will be used to control regrowth of hardwood stump sprouts from recent cutting, trimming or mowing operations on the distribution system. This is very essential to provide safe and reliable electric delivery. This selective herbicide application prevents undesirable, tall growing tree species from growing up into the conductors. It also establishes a low growing, stable plant community that allows crews working to maintain or restore power, access to the lines.

The use of herbicides as part of our IVMP is regulated by federal and state statutes and regulations. These requirements protect sensitive areas such as: Surface Waters, Public and Private Wells, Wetlands, Visually sensitive areas near roads and/or residences.

The herbicide products used for this application have been registered with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and will be applied by certified applicators according to specific label directions. Applications will be selective, in that the herbicides will be applied directly to undesirable target species.

If you have any concerns about this application please contact VCS within 14 days of the date on reverse side.

This r	notice	was	delivered	on:		-		
Treat	ments	are	scheduled	to	commence	on or a	about:	

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VCS Representative:	

May be contacted at: 603-325-3227

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NHEC Line #: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Pole #:\_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_\_, NH

Contact Hours: Monday-Friday / 8am-4pm

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NHEC believes that our IVMP is the most responsible way to provide safe, reliable electric distribution service to our members at a reasonable cost with the least impact to our environment. Please visit our website for more information about NHEC's IVMP at:

www.nhec.com